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Cal-Am sues Big Oil over groundwater pollution

By PAUL MILLER

Accusing THE nation's biggest oil companies of "despicable" disregard for public health and safety, Cal-Am Water Co. has filed a multi-million-dollar lawsuit over statewide contamination of groundwater by the gasoline additive MTBE.

The additive, which reduced tailpipe emissions and was introduced in response to 1990 requirements of the federal Clean Air Act, will no longer be permitted in California gasoline supplies after Dec. 31.

But during the last 13 years MTBE leaked into the ground from service stations, pipelines and refineries at thousands of locations all over California, according to Mitchell Dion,



Among the warnings on a gas pump in Carmel Valley this week was that MTBE is still being used. The additive has been banned, effective Dec. 31, because it pollutes groundwater.

sible for it," Dion said.

"This is a proactive, protective approach to eliminate the

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general manager of Cal-Am's

part, Steve Leonard, said a

very low level of MTBE con-

tamination — seven-tenths

of a part per billion - has

already been detected at one

Cal-Am well in Carmel

Valley. The well is about one

mile downstream from two

but the lawsuit was filed in

anticipation of future conta-

groundwater is very expen-

sive, and we don't think our

ratepayers should be respon-

mination," Leonard said.

"It's a small amount now,

"Cleaning up MTBE from

Dion's Monterey counter-

northern division.



Larry Foy



Michelle Knight

New directors are chomping at the bit

Nitpicky' laws may be reconsidered

By MARY BROWNFIELD

IN A vote reflecting Peninsula residents' desire for change in water policy, two newcomers with philosophies strikingly different from the current board majority were elected Nov. 4. Larry Foy unseated Zan Henson in Carmel Valley and Carmel, while Michelle Knight beat Bob Pacelli for the Pacific Grove/Pebble Beach/Carmel seat. The only slatemate of Henson and Pacelli to win, Kristi Markey, narrowly defeated architect Marc Béïque.

Foy and Knight won with 58 percent (3,410 votes compared with Henson's 2,478) and 57 percent (3,035 versus 2,335) of the vote, respectively, according to provisional results. Markey prevailed over Béïque, now twice unsuccessful in his bid for the water board, with 53 percent of the vote, or 1,606 votes over his 1,439. According to the Monterey County Elections Department, final tallies will be released by Monday.

"It just shows that people were serious about Measure B [last November's advisory measure in which 66 percent of Peninsula voters said the entire district should be dissolved],"

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AGE-OLD CRAFT LIVES ON IN C.V.

By REGAN CAREY

WHEN FARRIER Edward Power shoes a horse, he aims to "put the foot under the horse that was intended to be there in the first place."

Working with a forge, an anvil and a supply of straight steel in the back of a pickup truck, Power does his job the old-fashioned way.

First, he measures a horse's hoof from toe to heel, adds that to the width plus an extra two inches and cuts a piece of steel to that length.

Then he heats the metal bar and shapes it exactly to fit the curve of the hoof. "You can't just read a book" to learn his job, he said. "To learn to make shoes, you have to make shoes." Working at Larry Scholink's ranch in Carmel Valley Tuesday, Power said it would take him about an hour to make four shoes for Annie, the Scholink's 6-year-old paint quarter horse.

He started with Annie's front feet and, before progress-



ing to the back feet, put a bit in her mouth "for distraction." Megan Scholink, one of the five Scholink children, said the process doesn't hurt the horse, but the steam from the hot metal might startle her. Annie shied a bit as Power worked on her back hooves, but with a little reassurance she was fine.

The bill: \$125. Not for one hoof, for the whole horse. "You can get it done for less with pre-fab horseshoes," said Larry Scholink. "But you can't get it done better."

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PHOTOS/REGAN CAREY

When farrier Edward Power nails a red-hot shoe onto quarter horse Annie's hoof, he reassures her in a gentle voice so she accepts it with aplomb. It doesn't hurt, but the steam from his forge can be spooky.

STORMWATER TAX DOWN THE DRAIN

By MARY BROWNFIELD

CARMEL PROPERTY owners nixed a tax that would have helped pay for federally mandated stormwater system upgrades, the Carmel City Council learned Tuesday. Of the 3,155 ballots mailed to landowners, 1,948 were returned by the Nov. 3 deadline. Fifty-six percent — 1,087 voters — opposed the stormwater utility fee, while 861 supported it.

Jeff Cooper, president of Harris & Associates, which administered the election and tabulated the votes, announced the results at the council's Nov. 4 meeting.

"Having taken a vote and the vote failed, is it possible to go back after a certain passage of time and ask again?" councilman Dick Ely asked.

Cooper answered in the affirmative, though he did

not know how long the city must wait.

Carmel had hoped to be among the first cities to successfully campaign for a utility fee since the 1996 passage of Proposition 218, which requires propertyowner approval of special assessments and fees. The law has presented a stumbling block to local governments attempting to impose new taxes on landowners

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Former judge sued by county

By REGAN CAREY

MONTEREY COUNTY is suing former Superior Court Judge and Big Sur International Marathon founder William Burleigh for allegedly violating the terms of the permit for a caretaker unit on his property and destabilizing a hillside that could close an important Big Sur road.

Burleigh was issued the permit in October 2002. Five months later, according to the complaint, an inspection revealed that construction had damaged a protected redwood tree, left excavated soil at the base of several other trees and illegally cut into the hillside where the unit was supposed to be located, disturbing "the geology of the area and threatening the sole roadway" providing access to the surrounding residential areas.

In the suit, filed in Monterey County Superior Court Oct. 8, the county charged that Burleigh refused to cooperate with its requests that he amend the building permit or restore the site to its preconstruction condition, and that he has failed to respond to inquiries from the county planning commission,

The county also said the former judge "has chosen to publicly berate, threaten with lawsuits, demean and intimidate [planning] department staff with the motive of scaring

them from carrying out their job."

A commentary by Burleigh, published in the April 10 edition of The Pine Cone, also raised hackles at the planning department. The lawsuit alleges he called the department "lawless and incompetent" in the essay, which was entitled "Why people who deal with county officials have no stomach lining."

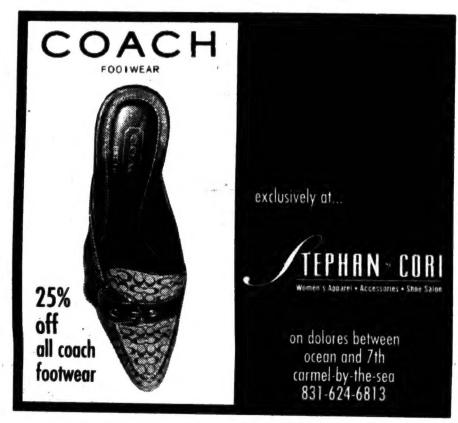
In the commentary, Burleigh described in great detail the arduous, red-tape-filled, three-and-a-half year campaign to obtain the building permit he is now being sued for allegedly violating. He claimed his experience was "the rule, not the exception," and added, "Every architect and contractor I spoke to had their own horror stories; they, however, can't complain because their livelihood is dependent on the whim of the county bureaucrats." In his concluding remarks, Burleigh anticipated a backlash from the county, saying, "I am acutely aware that by writing this, I have incurred the wrath of the county and others, and I will probably be punished at some time in the future."

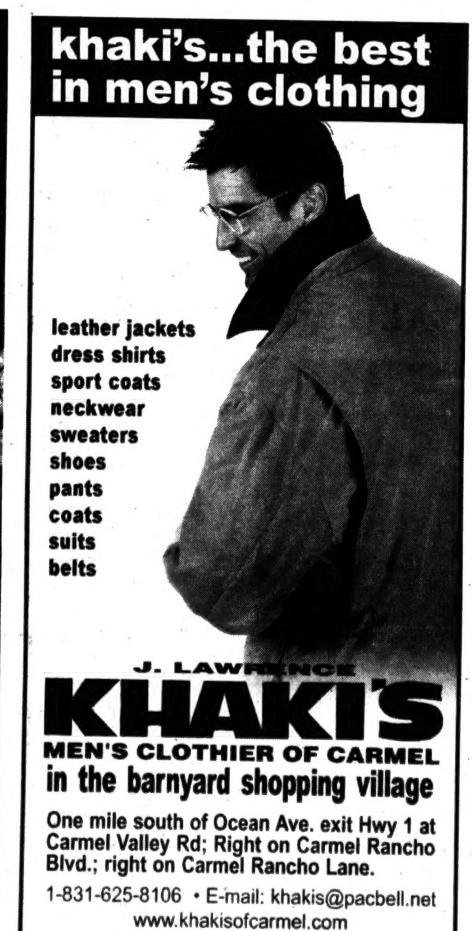
The county stated in its complaint that Burleigh, as an excuse for inaction on his part, has alleged that anything the planning and building department required of him after he published the article was in retaliation for it: "In effect, Defendant has set up

his own 'straw man argument' in order to berate indiscriminately any official or staff person who disagrees with his interpretation of the Monterey County Code and land use regulations and policies."

After being notified of the suit on Friday, Oct. 31, Burleigh issued a statement reiterating his argument: "Eight months ago I wrote an article in The Pine Cone criticizing the county planning department. Since then the county has constantly harassed and punished me and my employees, including shutting down my tiny building site, ordering redundant and superfluous studies and reports and taking every action possible to cost me time and money. They have even ordered me to restore the building site to its original condition, taking out \$10,600 worth of foundation work." He then described how he complied with the original erosion control measures the county requested, which "worked fine and went through the winter rains with zero erosion." When they ordered him to hire a civil engineer to come up with another erosion plan this past August, Burleigh viewed their actions as "simply more expensive harassment

and punishment for writing the article." Through its suit, the county is hoping to have Burleigh's property declared a nuisance in violation of various county and state codes. The county counsel's office is requesting that he not be allowed to maintain the violations, that his property also be declared a continuing public nuisance, that he not be allowed to maintain such a public nuisance on his property, and that either he be ordered to abate the objectionable conditions or the county be authorized to do so and recover all costs, attorney fees and "other such relief as the Court deems proper" from Burleigh.





FEATHERED PAVAROTTI SINGS WAY TOO EARLY

■ Rooster eludes six cops

By REGAN CAREY

ALARM CLOCKS have become superfluous for Carmelites living near Lincoln and Fourth, thanks to a rooster that mysteriously took up residence in a tall redwood last week.

The problem with roosters, of course, is they can't be turned off. According to resident Gene McFarland, this bird is unaware he's supposed to wait until sunrise and begins his choruses as early as 4 a.m.

Some mornings the crowing has been brief, MacFarland said, but on others, the rooster "gets in a Pavarotti kick and can go on for hours."

Sunday it started at 4 and lasted until 7 a.m., with the rooster "launching into another aria every 10 minutes."

McFarland, who was originally concerned about the rooster's ability to find enough food and water, said, "At that point, I ceased to be concerned about his physical well being."

He speculated the bird has been surviving



PHOTO/COURTESY KATRINA MCFARLANL

The renegade rooster perches in the redwood it has claimed as home — a tree Gene McFarland planted 55 years ago.

on spillage from traps that animal control officer Cindi Mitchell has set for it. She has

been setting the traps, which use grain as a lure, only during the day in an effort to avoid inadvertently capturing other animals. McFarland was impressed with Mitchell's desire to conduct the capture in a humane fashion and said he and other residents, despite being irritated by the rooster's predawn wake-up calls, would like to see it go to a rural setting, perhaps in Carmel Valley, rather than be euthanized. Mitchell said she will contact the SPCA when she apprehends the bird.

So far, capture has proved elusive. When Mitchell and five other police officers teamed up and attempted to corner it by creating a wall with a blanket — a technique recommended by the SPCA— the rooster evaded them by flying into a tree.

"It's very healthy," Mitchell said.

She had no idea where it came from — the only speculation she offered was that someone brought it into town as a pet and it escaped, though, as she noted, there is an ordinance against keeping barnyard fowl in Carmel.

Mitchell has been working on the case daily since she received a call about it Nov. 1. She invited anyone with pertinent information to contact her at 624-6403.

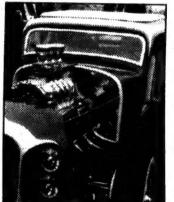
In the meantime residents around Lincoln and Fourth will either have to buy earplugs or resign themselves to waking in the darkness of predawn. McFarland, who said he is probably a heavier sleeper than most of his neighbors, described the rooster as a beautiful, deep, reddish brown and a good flyer and remarked, "I've seen a lot of odd creatures in Carmel, but this one takes the cake."

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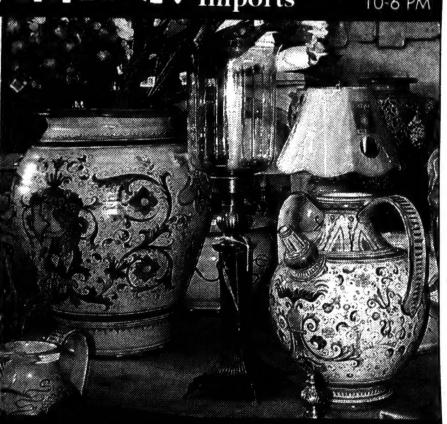
Meanwhile, DJ Frank will spin everyone's favorite oldies all afternoon, and for those caring to cut a rug, Rockin' Robbie & the Rods will be playing live. The show will

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Police & Sheriff's Log

Woman asks police to evict neighbor

HERE'S A look at some of the significant calls logged by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department and the Monterey County Sheriff's Office last week.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Sixth Avenue resident reported friends were visiting his residence last night and saw a light-colored pickup truck pull up to his residence. Several males got out and were looking at a motorbike parked at the residence. When the guests made their presence known, the people got back into their vehicle and left the area. He described amber lights across the top of the cab of the truck. He was advised to contact the department if he saw the vehicle in the area again.

Pebble Beach: Domestic dispute. Parties separated at a 17 Mile Drive address.

Carmel Valley: Municipal code violation at West Carmel Valley Road and Paso Hondo.

Carmel Valley: Malicious mischief at West Carmel Valley Road and Los Laureles Grade. Pebble Beach: Peace disturbance at a Lake Court residence.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Restaurant owner advised 16 tablecloths were missing from this week's linen shipment. He said the theft had to have occurred between the 1000 hours delivery and 1130, when he arrived at work. He also saw someone had left a couple of purses and some socks on top of the other linens. He has no idea who may have taken the linens or who owns the purses. Purses retrieved as found property. No estimated value of the tablecloths as they are rented by the victim.

Carmel Valley: Check/credit card fraud at a Carmel Valley Village lumber company.

Carmel area: Trespasser at a Highway 1 property.

Pebble Beach: Past-tense burglary of a Kingsley Court business.

Carmel Valley: Hazard at De Amaral Road and Marquard Road.

Carmel area: Animal call at a Rio Vista Drive residence.

Pebble Beach: Assault/battery at a Laurel Lane residence.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Burglary of a 1992 Honda Civic parked at Casanova and Ocean. Window smashed an \$300 in stereo equipment taken. Entry gained sometime between 1815 and 1905 hours.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male, 18, reported a Monterey female, 18, exhibited a firearm at Camino del Monte and Junipero. Suspect vehicle was a white Acura.

Carmel area: Vehicle check at a Highway 1

Carmel Valley: Peace disturbance over a non-injury accident at Mid Valley Center and Dorris Drive.

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SHORT SPARKS HOME FIRE

By MARY BROWNFIELD

AN ELECTRICAL short inside a wall heater started a fire which caused as much as \$30,000 in damage to a Carmelo Street vacation home Tuesday. No one was inside at the

\$13K in gold coins missing after move

By MARY BROWNFIELD

THIRTY-SIX American Eagle gold coins stashed in film canisters among canned goods disappeared when Bonnie and Steven Venn moved from one Carmel Valley home to another this summer. They recently noticed the \$13,400 theft and called the sheriff Oct. 24, according to Sgt. Scott Ragan.

"They'd forgotten all about them," Ragan said of the coins, which the Venns bought in 1999 and hid away in their Schulte Road home. "It had been a couple of years since they knew where they stashed them, and now all of a sudden, they're gone."

The Venns believe the coins disappeared in June, when they hired several day laborers to help them move into their home on Esquiline Road in the village.

The sheriff's office is investigating the grand theft and planned to take the Venns to several Carmel Valley Village spots where day laborers congregate, hoping to find work.

"Our deputy will go out there with the victims to see if they can point them out," Ragan said.

time, according to Carmel Fire Shift Commander Chuck August.

A neighbor reported smoke in the house at the northeast corner of Carmelo and Ocean Avenue around 2:45 p.m. Nov. 4, and crews arrived within minutes. Breaking a side window to gain entry after failing to get through the door, firefighters found the culprit — an old electric wall heater in a bathroom of the home owned by Frank and Anna Noreen Christopher of Saratoga.

After firefighters doused the flames, they chainsawed through the exterior walls to survey the extent of the damage and then used a thermal imager to search for hot spots. A false wall covering an old wall made the job a little more difficult, according to August, because it provided more fuel for the fire.

"It's a good thing the neighbor was alert, and I'm certainly glad it happened in the daytime, because otherwise we would have had a tremendous loss," he said. "It could have really gotten going if everybody had been asleep" and nobody had seen the smoke.

August could not say what caused the short and advised all residents with old heaters to have them checked regularly.

The call involved 13 engineers, firefighters and medics from Carmel Fire, Cypress Fire Protection District and Carmel Regional Fire and Ambulance, many of whom recently returned from protecting homes and fighting devastating wildfires in Southern California. Those fires charred three-quarters of a million acres, killed 20 people and destroyed 3,500 homes.

"It's been a busy year," August said.

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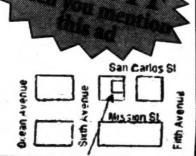
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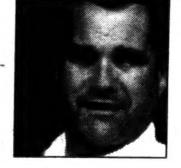
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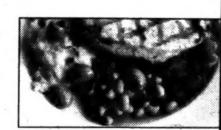


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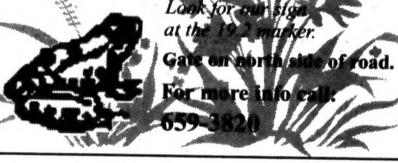
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Carmel Valley

Volunteers seek end to 'dictatorship'

■ Valley fire board election may mean district will split in two

By MARY BROWNFIELD

THE CARMEL Valley and Mid Valley fire departments consolidated less than three years ago, but part of the new Carmel Valley Fire Protection District already wants out.

And with the Nov. 4 reelection of three board candidates endorsed by dissatisfied volunteer firefighters, C.V. Battalion Chief David Cummings believes the board will be sympathetic to their cause

"It was certainly to our favor," he said.

Directors Jerry Kurz, Bill Parham and Jim Conrad, all reelected this week, signed a letter last month asking the fire district board to consider dividing the district.

"The time has come to seriously consider returning the districts to where they were prior to the consolidation," five directors and the president of the volunteers, Jud Boone, wrote in the letter to the board Oct. 23. "Things are not working out the way everyone hoped they would, and it is highly unlikely that the situation can be rectified."

The authors described the union as "doomed from the start."

The board voted 6-3 to place the question on the Nov. 20 agenda. Director Bob Rice, also reelected Nov. 4, joined board president Anne McGowan and director Sharon Blair in voting no.

Volunteers are extremely important and their concerns must be dealt with, Rice said, but dividing the district would be a mistake.

"Not to be trite, but I don't think you throw out the baby with the bath water," he said.

Cummings, a 27-year volunteer with the village station, said the departments' different cultures have created irreconcilable differences.

"We've always been involved in everything from the top down," Cummings said of the volunteers who have served on the board, participated in hiring decisions and helped staff C.V. Fire since its start 52 years ago. "We've always had a hands-on type of thing that's worked really well. We don't have that anymore."

By contrast, Mid Valley began with professionals in place to operate the station and manage the volunteers.

"There are philosophical differences, and we shouldn't have tried to put together two different fire departments," Cummings said, likening the decision-making practices of the consolidated district to a dictatorship.

Rice countered that it's too early to condemn consolidation as a failure. Made official in late 2000. the CVFPD has barely had a chance to show its benefits. "In fact, there are still things that are not consolidated — so to even talk about undoing that at this point, I think is extremely premature."

'It's just like a marriage: At what point does somebody move out of the house? You sit there and scream at each other, and then you hire lawyers, and eventually you get a

- David Cummings

Cummings believes it's better to end an obviously failing relationship while it's still young, but he added that the decision was far from sudden.

divorce.'

"For two-and-a-half years this has gone nowhere. It's just like a marriage: At what point does somebody move out of the house?" he asked. "You sit there and scream at each other, and then you hire lawyers, and eventually you get a divorce."

Each side argued it has Carmel Valley residents and businesses in mind.

"The bottom line is what's in the best interest of the taxpayers and the residents, and I don't think that deconsolida-

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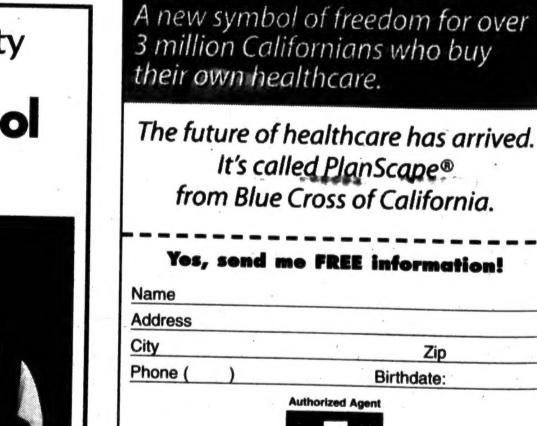
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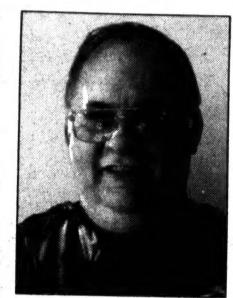
By MARY BROWNFIELD

BEHIND THE dispatch desk and on downtown streets, Carmel Police Department has two new faces, leaving three vacancies left to fill. Police services officer Jeff Olinger and police officer Rachelle Lightfoot joined the ranks last month and were introduced to the Carmel City Council at its meeting this week. Both are longtime locals.

Olinger, who has lived in Monterey since 1957, came to



Rachelle Lightfoot



Jeff Olinger

CPD after two decades working security in the private sector. A motorsports fan, former racecar driver and amateur radio expert, Olinger is also a director on the board of Sports Car Racing of the Monterey Peninsula and runs radio communications at Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca. His wife, Michelle, works for Monterey County Free Libraries.

"I love it," Olinger said of the job he acquired after learning about the opening from Cpl. Steve Rana. "It's kind of like a family — totally different from most places these days, and everyone's willing to help you out."

Police Chief George Rawson praised Olinger's calm, friendly demeanor and said he plans to tap into his new

employee's radio, communication and computer skills on the job.

"He brings a work ethic that is very needed and appreci-

CORRECTION

A photo caption published Oct. 24 omitted a vital zero when mentioning the contribution made by the Carmel High School Class of 1948 to the Sunset Center renovation project.

The class of 1948 donated \$25,000, not \$2,500.

ated," he said. "He'll be a good reassuring voice. He's got a lot of life experience and he understands the expectations."

Lightfoot, who graduated from Monterey High School in 1985 and received her degree in administration of justice from MPC in 1997, worked parking enforcement in Monterey for a dozen years before being hired and put through the police academy by Salinas Police Department. She worked for

SPD briefly before accepting the Carmel job.

"Carmel's always been a sister city to Monterey, and it seemed like a really good place to work," she said, adding that she's eager to use the customer service skills she honed while working parking enforcement and is happy with Carmel's less hectic pace. "You interact with the citizens more than you do running from call to call."

Some say Carmel is slow, but Lightfoot countered, "You can stay very busy here — I have not had a dull moment yet."

A Marina resident married for five years to autobody specialist Ryan Lightfoot, she owns two horses, a dog and a cat. Lightfoot rides competitively and also helps patrol on horseback during the Salinas rodeo each year.

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Today's Real Estate

By MAUREEN MASON Certified Residential Specialist

Outside the Real Estate Box

Some areas are offering teachers housing credits because local real estate prices are simply too high for, say, a beginning single teacher to afford. What to do? Even with housing credits, when available, it is still a big stretch for most people to find a suitable place to live.

Most take one of three courses: They find a very inadequate apartment, hoping to save enough money and earn enough raises to be able to afford a home one day; they find a place far from the school in which they'll work, creating a deadening daily commute; or they just give up and look for a teaching job in another area.

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Rawson said Lightfoot has the dedication and work ethic he's looking for and expressed excitement at having another female officer on board. Officer Jennifer Burbank, hired in June, was the first woman to join the sworn ranks in six

"Officer Lightfoot has a sense of commitment and a passion for this career," the chief said. "She will do well. She will be the kind of officer who will get out of the car to talk to people — she has great social skills."

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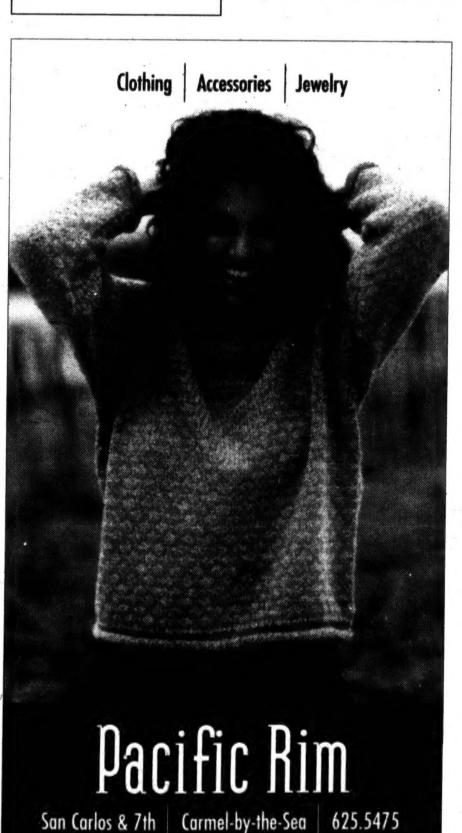
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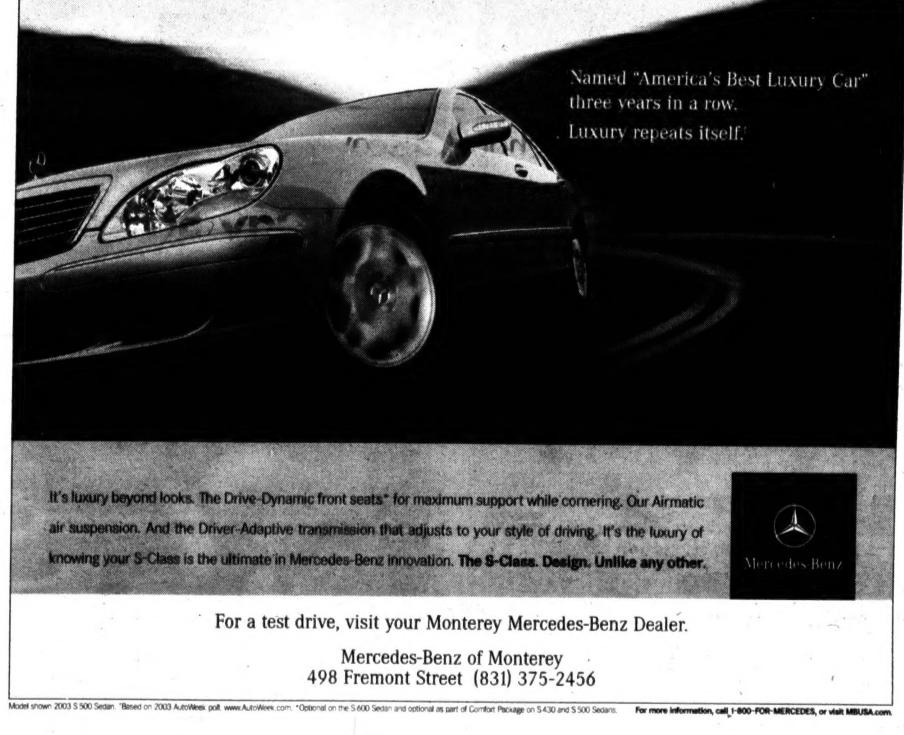
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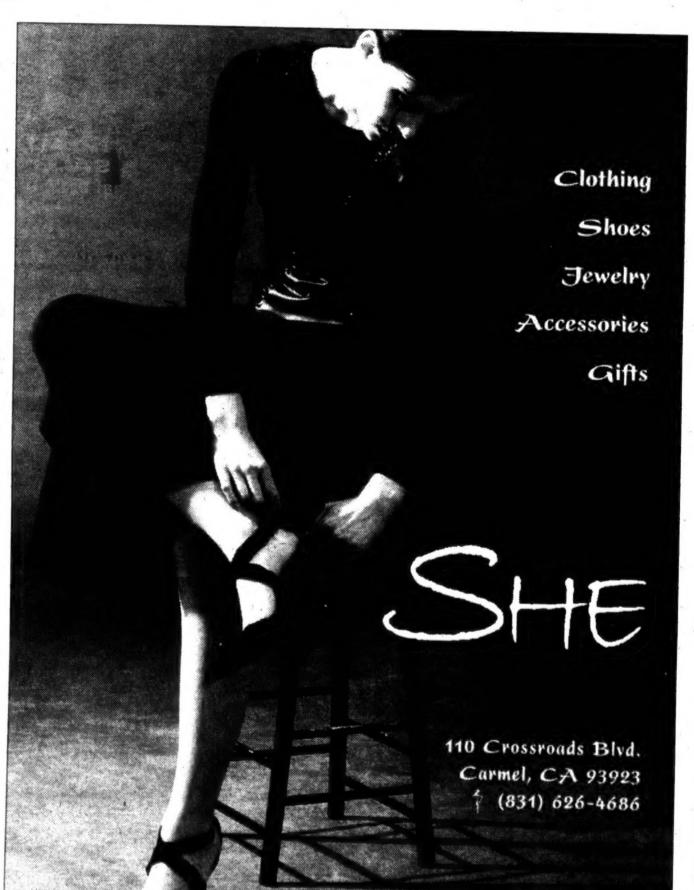
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Cypress Fire Engineer Chris Hartzell and his crewmates rounded the corner into a San Bernardino cul-de-sac to find this home ablaze after fire tore through the area. It wasn't the flames themselves that set the house alight, but more likely an errant ember which drifted into the attic through one of the unscreened holes in the second story. Charged with protecting homes in a three-block area, Hartzell and his California Department of Forestry cohorts saved a dozen houses, extinguished small fires in three and kept this blaze from spreading to adjacent homes. A Carmel Hill Station engine was part of that strike team.





Members of a four-engine team kept the fire away from a San Bernardino power plant Oct. 25. "The fire's too hot for any amount of water to work, so we basically burn out the fuel to take it away under controlled circumstances before the main fire gets there," Hartzell said.



Blazes defied belief

WITH THE deadly Southern California blazes finally under control, dozens of Peninsula firefighters have returned home, many awe-struck by the experience.

Carmel and other local city fire departments, as well as Carmel Valley and Cypress fire protection districts, sent crews and engines south to help.

Those to arrive first, such as the Carmel Hill engine sent to the Cedar Fire east of San Diego, found themselves on the front lines protecting homes for hours and days on end without rest.

Cypress Fire Engineer Chris Hartzell, who shot photos while fighting the San Bernardino fires, described the scenes as intense and chaotic. "The winds were absolutely extreme," he said. One gust "took a burning piece of fence and impaled the side of a house with it."

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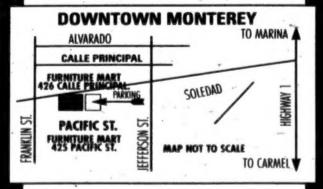
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PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

HUMBOLDT COUNTY is suing the California Department of Parks and Recreation for more than \$200,000 because a county employee, Sharon Cole, fell and injured herself at Asilomar Conference Grounds in Pacific Grove a year ago.

"I was on the deck outside my room. It was dark and there was no lighting at all," Cole told The Pine Cone. It was the first day of an October 2002 conference of social workers from around the state.

"The people in the room next to me were administrators from another county and they said, 'Come on over.' I thought the decks were right next to each other, but there was a big drop and as I stepped, I fell about four feet," Cole said.

At first, she didn't think she was seriously injured. But three hours later, "I couldn't move at all and they had to call an ambulance."

She had no broken bones but suffered "severe joint and muscle injuries" and couldn't work for more than two months, she said.

Humboldt County paid her medical bills and wants reimbursement from state parks, which owns Asilomar. It also wants to be paid any other damages it may owe Cole, including "wage loss, hospital and medical expenses, general damage, loss of earning capacity, pain and suffering, injury to psyche, loss of consortium, etc." The minimum dollar amount of the claim is \$200,000, the lawsuit says.

But Cole is back at work now and said she hasn't sued anybody and isn't planning to.

"I was advised to, but I was afraid to," because it might compromise her county job, she said.

The Humboldt County lawsuit, filed in Monterey County Superior Court Oct. 14, accuses state parks and the private company, Delaware North, which operates the Asilomar Conference Center, of "negligence and carelessness" leading to the creation of the "dangerous conditions" responsible for Cole's mishap.

"The main thing they need to realize is they need to have better lighting," said Cole. "Asilomar is a wonderful place, and I was really happy when I was picked to represent my county at the conference. But now, my only hope is that no one else is hurt like I was."

Kiwanis to sponsor 33rd annual Community Thanksgiving dinner

By REGAN CAREY

SUPERIOR COURT Judge Michael Fields and a handful of other volunteers will arrive at 9 a.m. Nov. 26, the day before Thanksgiving, and work 'round the clock to prepare

the Kiwanis' 33rd Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner, which will be served starting at noon.

Fields described the free meal — including 100 turkeys, an untold number of hams and made-from-scratch mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes and assorted pies — as a event where people from every stratum of society will be "treated as family members when they walk in."

And just like at family gatherings, help will be welcomed and appreciated, but there is no formal sign-up sheet or registration process for volunteers. People can "just show up, help out and eat," said Fields. "It's for anybody," he emphasized.

The event will take place at the Monterey County Fairgrounds and dinner will be served from 12 to 3 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 27. Those interested in donating turkeys, canned goods, money or clothing can contact Michael Fields at (831) 647-5845.



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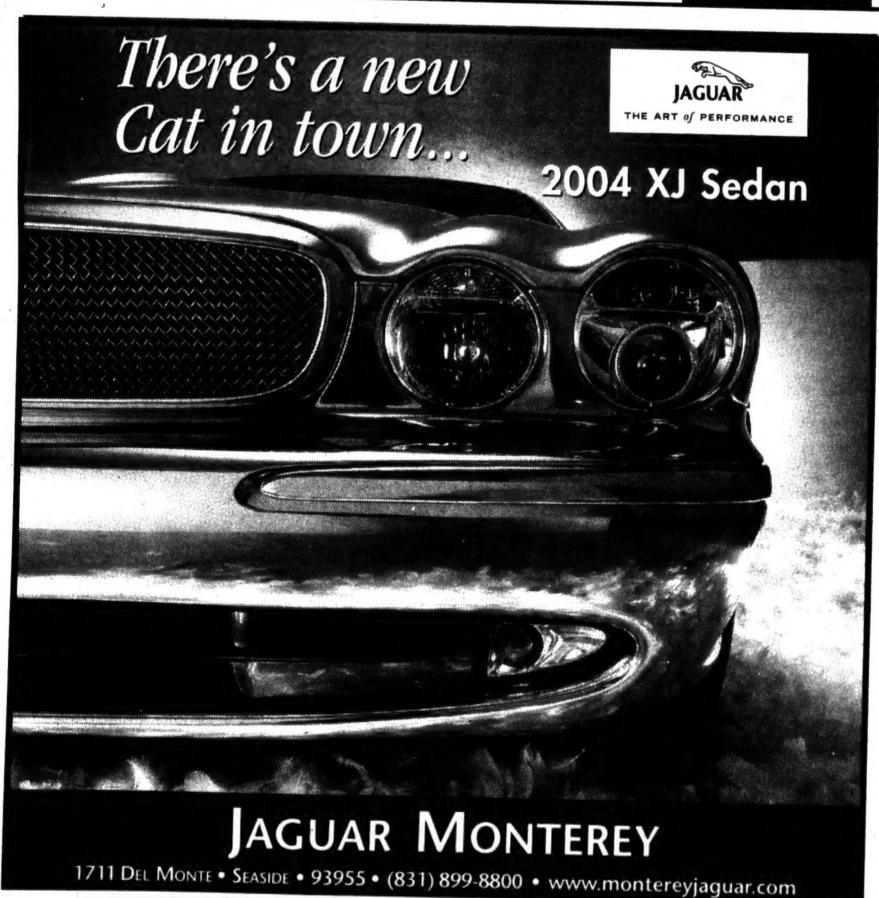
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Amuse bouche

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

VENTANA INN & Spa, Big Sur, is into funghi finding. Offered is two nights accommodations, morning mushroom hunt with Ranger Chuck Bancroft, mushroom menu luncheon at Cielo, Ventana's Mobile 4-Star restaurant hosted by Chuck and Cheryl Bancroft, dinner for two at Cielo, two 50-minute spa treatments of choice at Allegria Spa, Big Sur continental breakfast each morning, daily wine reception for two, Ventana Discovery guided walk each morning, and daily complimentary yoga session. The "shrooming" package (the first hunt will take place on Saturday, Nov. 29) begins at \$950 based on room category selected, plus tax and gratuity. First mushroom hunter is included in package, the second hunter is \$90 more for the hunt if staying in the same room as the first. Call (800) 628-6500 or 667-2331 for information and reservations.

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AN ORGANIC free tasting of produce, salads, salad dressings, cookies, granola, raisins, dried plums and tempting dishes from The Organic Kitchen is being offered from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15 at

Earthbound Farm Stand, 7250 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley, three miles east of Highway 1. For information, call 625-6219.

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ADVANCE NOTICE: The sixth annual Valley of the World Wine & Food Festival in Salinas will take place Jan. 21 to 24, 2004. Started by the Salinas Rotary in 1999 as a fund raiser for local charities, it has evolved each year. In 2004 the three-hour event will showcase Monterey County wines and local restaurants will host five or six winemakers dinners at as many restaurants (\$75 per person), and on Jan. 24, the final day of the event, tastings of food and wine (\$50 per person) will take place at The National Steinbeck Center and the center's patio.

Winemakers dinners will be held at Salinas Valley Fish House, Pajaro Street Grill, Tarpy's, Chapala's, Hullaballoo and One Main Street Café.

Some of the wineries that have already signed up for the affair are Bernardus Vineyards and Winery, Delicato Monterey/Monterra, Estancia, Hahn Estates/Smith & Hook Winery, J. Lohr Winery, Joullian Vineyards, Lockwood

Vineyard, Morgan Winery, Paraiso Vineyards, Scheid, and Ventana Vineyards/Meador Estate. Winemaker Steve Pessagno of Lockwood and Pessagno wineries will present a blending seminar during the four-day event. More information in a later Amuse Bouche.

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A CHOCOLATE and Desserts demonstration by Chef Cal Stamenov and Pastry Chef Cameron Cardoza, will be held in the Harvest Room at Bernardus Lodge, 415 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley, from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13. A variety of chocolate, using different techniques, will be demonstrated. Take some home for the family! Cost: \$30 per person. Call 658-3550 for information and reservations.

THE BOUNTIFUL BASKET, The Crossroads, Carmel, will be pouring some

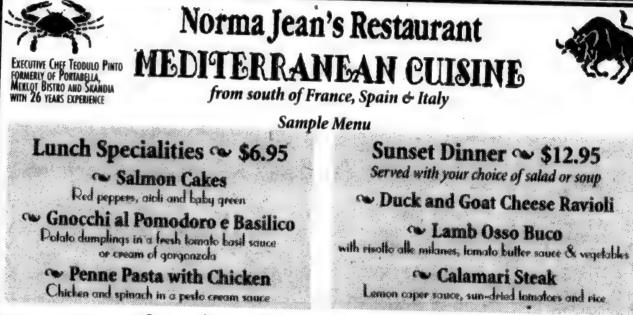
exceptional wines at its public grand opening Sunday, Nov. 9: Hidden Hills Carmel Chardonnay, Scheid Vineyards' Merlot and a Chardonnay, Gryphon's 2000 Pinot Noir from Anderson Valley, and Marilyn Remark 2001 Grenach from South Monterey County, which won the best of show in the red wine category at the L.A. County Fair's Wines of the World event.

HAVE FOOD OR WINE NEWS?

If so, please all Margot Petit Nichols at The Pine Cone, 624-0162, fax 624-8076, or e-mail margot@carmelpinecone.com.

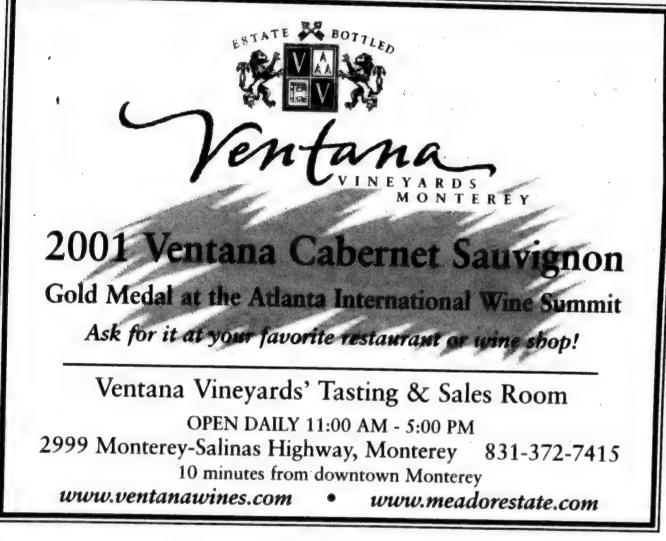
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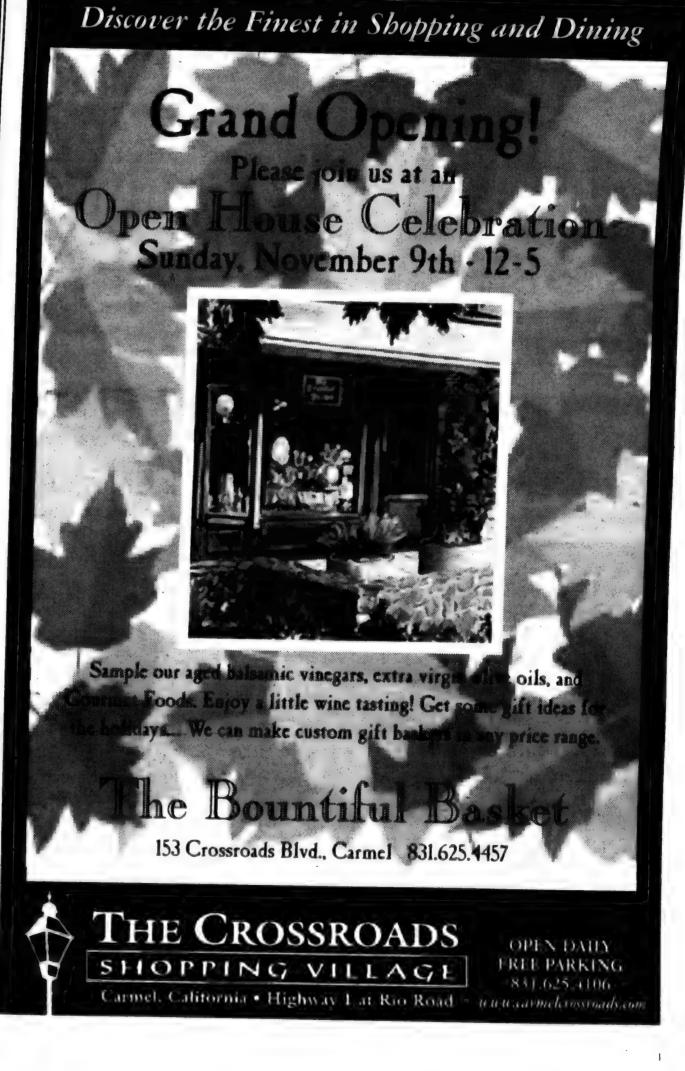


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FEAST FOR AIDS TO BE TRES ELEGANT IN PEBBLE BEACH

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

JEFFREY JAKE, executive chef for Pebble Beach Resorts, is orchestrating an elegant haute cuisine seven-course dinner to benefit the Monterey County Aids Project at 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 30, the eve of World AIDS Day. It will be held at the Beach and Tennis Club. Seven top chefs from seven local restaurants will each prepare one course, donating their time and ingredients to the cause.

Jake explained each course at a pre-event tasting for the media on Tuesday, Nov. 4, in the library of Pebble Beach Lodge. A fire crackled in the large fireplace, the sea sparkled in the near distance beyond the 18th Green seen through French doors, and a carefully appointed dining table, set for nine awaited us. MCAP Executive Director Wayne Johnson sat opposite the press as did board secretary Scott M. Eccher, and Deputy Director Kathleen Banks, Dorothy Maras-

Ildiz, DOO of The Old Bath House, and Mia McKee of Mia McKee Marketing and Event Planning.

Each course was paired to exceptional wines. Following the luncheon, the chefs came in to meet and be applauded by the luncheon guests.



A chocolate "wave" breaks over a portion of real honeycomb and lavender glacé.



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Chefs who will prepare their specialties at the dinner are (back row), Boris Ilabaco, Tim Wood, Cal Stamenov, R. Kent Torrey, Ingrid Rohrer, and Elias Lopez; (front row) Craig Von Forester, Jeffrey Jake, Jerald Regester and Benjamin Brown.

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On Nov. 30, 225 people will assemble, having parted with \$195 for dinner tickets and \$100 each for raffle tickets hoping to win one of the three prizes of \$3,500, \$1,000 and \$500. A silent auction will be held also.

A Gloria Ferrer champagne reception with dance music by the Scott and Peggy Brown Band — will include four different passed hors d'oeuvres prepared by Chef de Cuisine Elias Lopez of Roy's at Spanish Bay, Pebble Beach Resorts. The appetizers will include lomi salmon with wasabi oil on won ton crisps; miso yaki butterfish with soy vinaigrette; kalua pork and chicken spring rolls with mandarin orange-chili sauce; and poki style tomato salad. And this is just to commence the sumptuous meal.

Executive Chef Craig Von Foerster of

Sur, will prepare a Sierra Mar amuse bouche of Sea of Cortez bay scallop seviche with kaffir lime leaf sorbet.

A very special autumnal potage will be assembled by Executive Chef Boris Ilabaca of The Old Bath House Restaurant in Pacific Grove: puréed Sierra Beauty apples, celery root and peanut butter soup, with a touch of cream and hints of caraway and thyme. This smooth melange, thickened with potato, will be topped with swirls of apple crème fraîche and toasted peanut butter oil.

Executive Chef Cal Stamenov of Bernardus Lodge, Carmel Valley, will combine lightly smoked Scottish salmon "dos." with a pumpkin, apple and red endive salad.

Following this, Executive Chef Ingrid Rohrer of the Organic Kitchen at Sierra Mar restaurant, Post Ranch in Big Earthbound Farm, Carmel Valley, will com-



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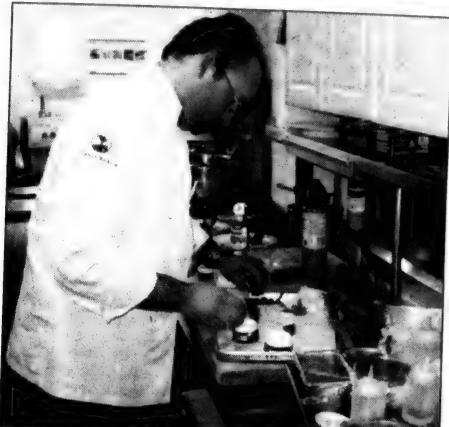
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Chef de Cuisine Ben Brown of the Beach and Tennis Club site of the gala dinner — assembles the whimsical and delicious dessert course.

Executive Chef Jeffrey Jake of The Lodge at Pebble Beach is serving as chef chairperson of the elaborate dinner. MCAP Executive Director Wayne Johnson can be seen in the background, at left.

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bine thyme and brown sugar roasted pumpkin seeds and mini pumpkins with seasonal baby lettuces, dried cranberry and crumbled Humboldt Fog chèvre.

The entrée of roasted prime beef tenderloin with a lobster butter gratinée, onion fondue and black truffle sauce will definitely be the pièce de résistance of the evening with its elegant presentation and ingredients. It will be prepared by Chef de Cuisine Jerauld Regester of Stillwater Bar & Grill, Pebble Beach Lodge. Vegetarians may request a substitution of mushroom and wild rice balls.

A truly exceptional cheese course selected and provided by R. Kent Torrey, CEO Maître Formager of The Cheese Shop, Carmel includes: Sensi tartufo with white truffle honey, St. Maure with fig preserve, and Pleasant Ridge Reserve with vintage Port-macerated tart cherries.

And finally, Chef de Cuisine Benjamin Brown, The Beach and Tennis Club, Pebble Beach Resorts, will prepare a witty presentation of a chocolate wave breaking over a real honey comb and a fragrant lavender glacé.

Wines paired and served with the various courses include an outstanding and unusually big Rosé of Virginia Charles Melton, Epic Wines; a big and oaky Bernardus Sauvignon Blanc; a dry, dry Pietra Santa Sangiovese; and a Bonny Doon dessert muscat.

Inquiries and reservations may be made before Nov. 24 by calling 394-4747.



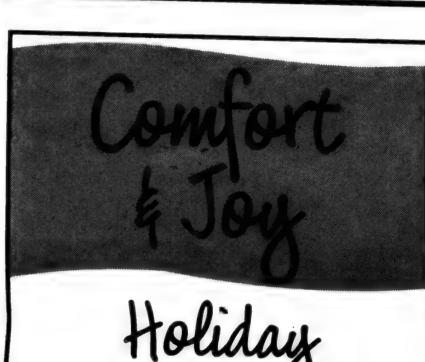






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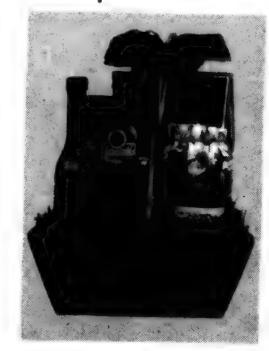
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Two-legged wonders soon to explore Point Lobos waters

By REGAN CAREY

MONARCH BUTTERFLIES have commenced their yearly gathering at Whaler's Knoll in Point Lobos State Reserve, and according to Ranger Chuck Bancroft, gray whales will be passing through sometime after Thanksgiving. Amidst these wonders, visitors to the reserve may not notice another important, though less eye-catching arrival — researchers from the California Department of Fish and Game.

Briana Brady, a biologist with the CDFG

in Monterey, is researching near-shore and shallow-water species of fish at Point Lobos and Stillwater Cove in Pebble Beach, Her superiors have told her to cut costs by using volunteers, so Brady has been working since June to create a research method viable for untrained volunteers. Her plan is to use volunteer divers — who must be certified by the American Academy of Underwater Sciences and CDFG — to collect fish data by video.

She expects volunteers to begin diving this month.

Rockfish are a focal point of the study, including such species as black-and-yellow

rockfish, gopher rockfish and China rockfish. The divers will use underwater video cameras to collect data on their size, abundance and location, and statistics from protected Point Lobos will be compared with those collected at Stillwater, where fishing is allowed. Research on rockfish is vital because they are heavily fished (sold as red snapper) and, as many of the over 60 species do not reach sexual maturity for 10 to 20 years, once a population is reduced it can

take decades to recover.

Data collection must be completed by December, when Brady will write up a technical report she said must contain "every little detail you could possibly imagine" so the study can be replicated in the future. While this study is local and short-term, Brady said the research methods she has developed may be used for more coast-wide, long-term

PEAKED PINES WILL BE CUT AT CARMEL MIDDLE SCHOOL

By REGAN CAREY

STARTING NOV. 10, Carmel Middle School will begin removing a row of dead pine trees on the east side of its property on Carmel Valley Road. According to Carmel Unified School District business manager Judy Long, the trees, all dead or dying, are slated to be taken out in increments of two per week until the end of the

The trees border the Hilton Bialek Biological Sciences Project (better known

simply as the habitat project), an area which science teachers and their classes have been working to restore to its natural state. In the spring, students are scheduled to replant the area with native trees. including "cottonwoods, sycamores, willows and elderberry, some cypress, and native shrubs as an understory."

Long notified The Pine Cone of the tree removal plans to let people know what's going on so they don't freak out when they see the chain saws felling the pines.

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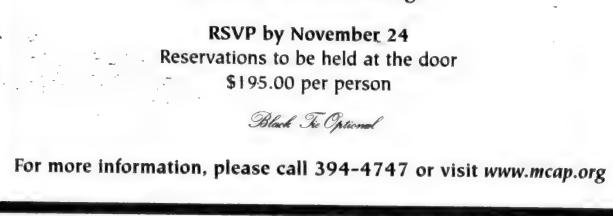
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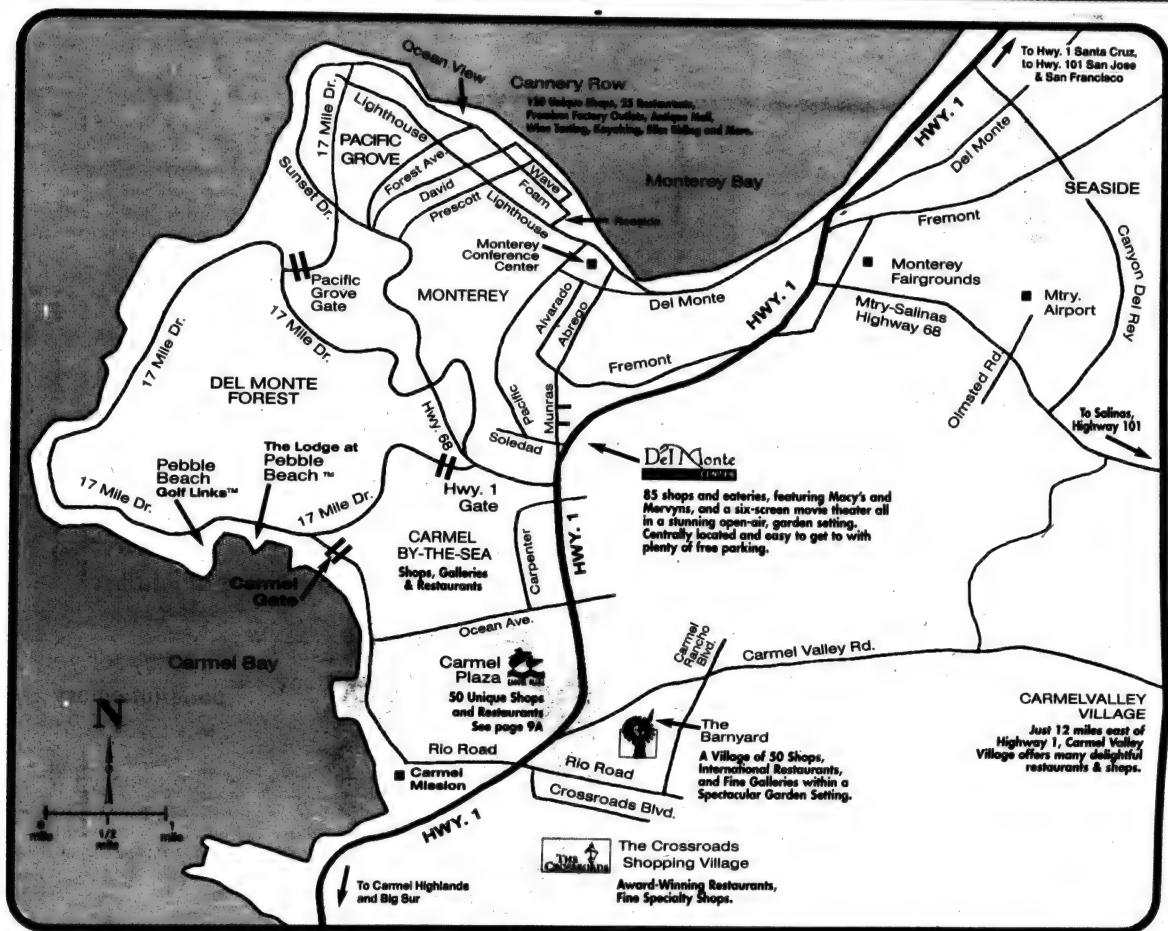
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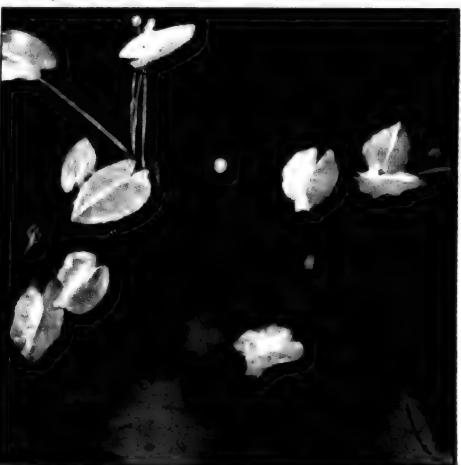
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Jan Wagstaff finds inspiration in water lilies

THE CARMEL Art Association gathers original oils by Jan Wagstaff in an exhibit, "Dancing on Water," which was inspired by the artist's visit last spring to Florida.

The artist will be present during a reception slated for 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, in the CAA galleries, Dolores between Fifth and Sixth, Carmel-by-the-Sea. Admission is free.

"Dancing on Water" can be viewed through Dec. 3. For details, call 624-6176.



Water lilies inspired Jan Wagstaff's new collection featured at the Carmel Art Association.



WHAT: A.R. Gurney's comedy set in the dining room of a well-to-do-household, "The Dining Room," features, from left, Elizabeth Miles, Tim Hart, Richard Boynton, Laura Cote, Fred Herro and Dawn Flood. The play is directed by Elsa Con.

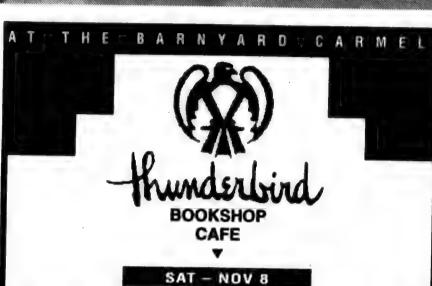
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SAT - NOV 8

Bruce Moody author of Will Work For Food or \$: A Memoir from the Roadside, will discuss and sign copies of his book. "Bruce Moody nearing 60, lost his job. Unable to find work and facing homelessness, Moody decided to make panhandling his job. Moody kept daily notes, which became the basis for his book. His story enables you to experience what you would feel if you were out there, not in his shoes, but in your own...' ◆ 2 pm - FREE

SAT - NOV 8

Join the Thunderbird Writers Group, Pebbles, for a reading and book signing of their second published anthology, The Barmaid, the Bean Counter and the Bungee Jumper. This varied collection of short fiction, inspirational and amusing poetry and astute slice-of-life observation is a thoroughly

TUES - NOV 11

Join the Thunderbird Book Club for a field trip to Glen Devin. Meet at the back door of the Thunderbird. An Open Book: Coming of Age in the Heartland by Michael Dirda will be discussed. ◆ 9:30 am - \$25

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He encounters vicious and ruthless smugglers on a moonless night and almost loses his life. Shot in the back and leg, presumably by drug smugglers, Brinker harbors deep suspicions of a fellow border patrolman with him that night. When released from the hospital, he resigns from the INS. Enough is

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enough when you suspect a colleague is gunning for you. Afterwards, as a private investigator, he must return to Lovers Crossing, to work a case for a client whose wife was brutally murdered. This time, not only is Brinker's life threatened, but that of a television interviewer who figures significantly in the plot.

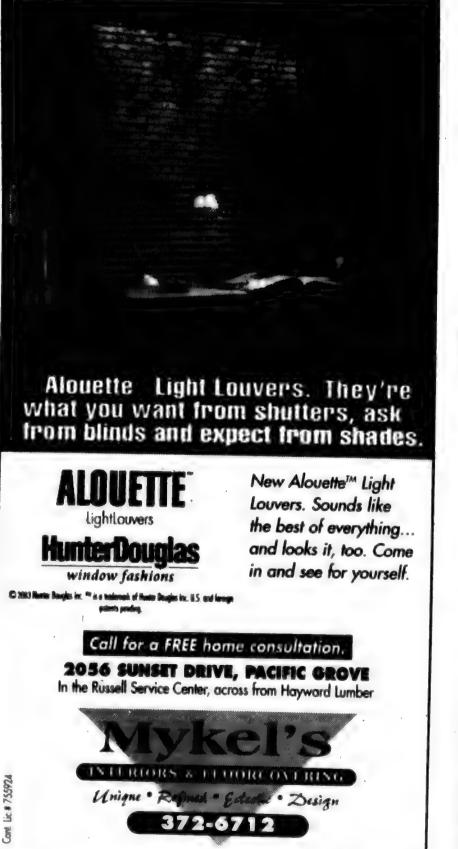
James C. Mitchell has written his first novel with the skill and flow derived from his long career as a television journalist. (He is also a lawyer and a college professor.)

He told The Pine Cone that he envied Carmel mystery writer, Robert Irvine, who quit the L.A. television game in order to follow his writer's craft. It was Irvine who hired Mitchell at KABC-TV. Several decades passed before their paths crossed at a mystery writing convention, and when Irvine expressed enthusiasm for Mitchell's border patrol protagonist and plot, Mitchell got to work writing it, aided along the way by Irvine's tips and those of Angie Irvine, who collaborates with her husband on mystery novels.

If all first books were this professional — well plotted, with well defined characters and beautifully written — a book reviewer's life would be one good read after another. Mitchell provides all of this and more. The 294-page hardcover, published by St. Martin's Press under its Minotaur imprint, retails for \$23.95. Ask for it at your favorite book

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WHAT WOULD you do if you were fired from a job at



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Bruce Moody, to whom this happened, wound up on a freeway exit in the San Francisco Bay Area holding a sign that offered, "Will work for food or \$." This became the title of the book recounting his

down-and-out odyssey.

Moody was 60 when the axe fell in 1994. He wasn't an alcoholic or an addict; he was easy going and well liked. He had attended Yale University and did graduate work at Columbia College where he won a literary prize for "The Poetry of Emily Dickinson." His fiction was published in The New Yorker and The National Lampoon and he wrote a book, "The Decline and Fall of Daphne Finn," published by Coward, McCann. He taught at St. Anne's Brooklyn. in

PETIT NICHOLS

Brooklyn College, Queens College and City College. To devote himself full-time to writing, Moody quit teaching and augmented his income with various jobs. It was from one of these that he was let go. When he tried to find work, he was refused, time after time. "I guess people didn't want to hire someone who looked liked their father," Moody said.

A year out of work, he was down to \$40 when he held up a sign on the Pinole off-ramp on Highway 80. The book that

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the vulnerability of life's greatest fears and the power of humility."

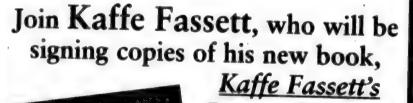
followed (initially he had no intention of writing it), tells of the humiliation he had to overcome and of his gratitude to those who helped him. He eked out a living from handouts and from work kindly people offered him, mostly gardening. He kept a record each evening of his earnings and of the people who made them possi-

Of gardening and writing, he said, "Now I've

found my proper calling; I can only thank the Higher Power for shaking me up by putting me out of work." His book is published by Red Wheel/Weiser, Boston, Mass., and retails for \$24.95.

Meet Bruce Moody at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 8 at The Thunderbird Bookshop, The Barnyard Shopping Village, Carmel and from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21 at Bookworks, 667 Lighthouse Ave. in Pacific Grove. 000

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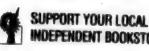
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Michael Stamp, Frances Payne Adler and Bill Monning will read original and classic poems from the literature of resistance on Thursday, Nov. 13 at the Carl Cherry Center for the Arts.

Poetry of resistance read at Cherry

ORIGINAL AND classic poems from the literature of resistance will be highlighted Thursday, Nov. 13. at the Carl Cherry Center for the Arts by Frances Payne Adler, Bill Monning and Michael Stamp.

The program begins at 7:30 p.m. at the center, located at Fourth and Guadalupe in Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Monning will read from "Poems for the Nation," a collection of poems for America edited by Allen Ginsberg, and some of his own poetry consistent with the evening's theme.

Stamp will present a selection of recent pieces from this country and abroad.

Adler will read from her new collection: "The Making of a Matriot: Poetry and Prose, 1991-2003," just out from Red Hen Press. Adler is the director of the Creative Writing and Social Action Program at CSU Monterey Bay.

Tickets are \$8 and will be available at the door. For details, call the center at 624-7471.

Works by Sam Colburn, Grace Meredith displayed

A SPECIAL collection of works by Sam Colburn (1906-1993) and his wife, still active artist Grace Meredith, can be viewed through Nov. 30 at the Art House, 226 17th St., Pacific Grove.

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collection of his watercolors are typical of the abstractions for which he is known, and most have never been exhibited.

Meredith's contribution to "Colburn/-Meredith at Play" is a life history told through the medium of watercolor on brown paper. Gallery hours are 5 to 9 p.m. Thursdays and noon to 9 p.m. Fridays through Sundays. Info: 373-8888.

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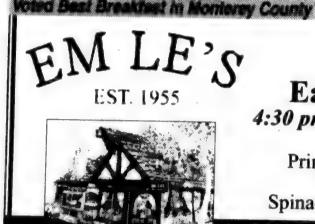
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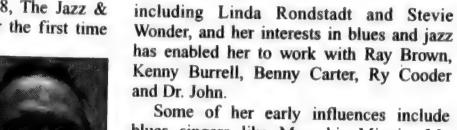
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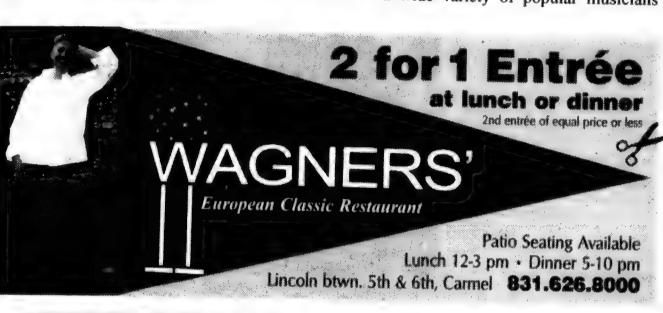
blues singers like Memphis Minnie, Ma Rainey and Bessie Smith. During the last few years Muldaur has been busy recording traditional blues albums. Her latest recording entitled, "A Woman Alone With The Blues," is a tribute to the music of Peggy Lee, whose song "I'm a Woman" has been Muldaur's signature tune for more than 30 years.

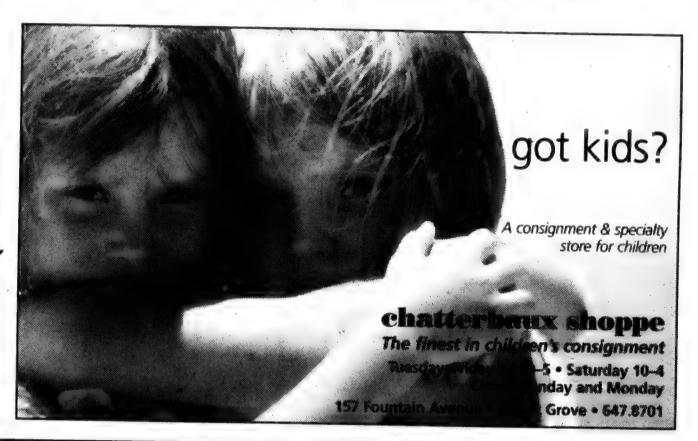
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Czech string quartet to premiere requiem by Bodorova

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"Terezin Ghetto Requiem" by Sylvie Bodorova in a Friday, Nov. 14 concert at

The Skampa Quartet of Prague is recog-

Sunset Theater, Carmel.

Prague Academy of Music. These include the "Best Debut 1993" award from England's Royal Philharmonic Society and "Best Czech Chamber Music Recording of 2001" from Harmonie

nized as one of today's most exciting young

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awards since its founding in 1989 at the

magazine. The Nov. 14 performance is an offering of Chamber Music Monterey Bay.

Their repertoire is scheduled to include Samuel Barber's String Quartet Op. 11, (its slow movement, the "Adagio for Strings," was memorably used in the film, "Platoon"); as well as works by Prokofiev and Smetana.

Bodorova's "Terezin Ghetto Requiem" combines elements of the Latin mass for the dead, and ancient Hebraic prayers of mourning.

Sunset Theater is located on San Carlos Street at Ninth Avenue in downtown Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Tickets are \$22 to \$32, \$15 for students under 22 with ID. Limited free tickets are available for children under 12. For reservations, call 625-2212 or visit www.chambermusicmon-



Formed at the Prague Academy of Music in 1989, the Scampa String Quartet has since been praised for its recordings and concerts worldwide. Its members will be joined by baritone Christopheren Nomura (not shown) in concert Friday, Nov. 14.

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2002. (s) Assistant Secretary, Mary D. Peters. This statement was filed with the

County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 2, 2003. Publication dates: Oct. 17, 24, 31, Nov. 7, 2003. (PC 1005).

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 20036258. The following persons have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name TIP ELECTRONICS, 1010 Dolan Road, Castroville, CA 95012. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Monterey County on Feb. 3, 2003. TECHNOLOGY INVESTMENT PARTNERS LLC* "Organized in the state of Michigan, 3955 Pinnacle Court, Suite 200, Auburn Hills, MI 48376. This business was conducted by a limited liability company. (s) Patrick H. Callahan, member. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 7, 2003. Publication dates: Oct. 17, 24, 31, Nov. 7, 2003. (PC1006).

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Attorney for Petitioner THOMAS HART HAWLEY, Hawley & Llewellyn, San Carlos bet. 7 & 8, P.O. Box 805, Carmel, CA 93921. (831) 624-5339. (s) THOMAS HART HAWLEY, Attorney

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20032330. The statement File No. 20032330. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Advanced Marketing Solutions, 1153 Old Stage Rd., Salinas, CA 93908. C. RICHARD SHEPHARD, II, 1150 Old Stage Rd., Salinas, CA 93908. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Oct. 20, 2003. (s) C. Richard Shephard, II. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 20, 2003. Publication dates: Oct. 31, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 2003. (PC 1018)

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CAUFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY

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OF MONTEREY
In re the Estate of
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Case No. MP-16847
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(s) Thomas Hart Hawley
Attorney for the Estate
Post Office Box 805
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Publication dates: Oct. 31, Nov. 7.

Publication dates: Oct. 31, Nov. 7, 14, 2003. (PC1020)

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Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 17, 2003. Publication dates: Oct. 31, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 2003. (PC 1021)

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20032411. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: JAGS OF CARMEL, 27680 Schulte Road, Carmel, CA 93923. JULIA NAN-NETTE HATFIELD, 27680 Schulte Road, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Oct. 29, 2003. (s) Julia Hatfield. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 29, 2003.

Publication dates: Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2003. (PC 1103)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. M67342. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

A. Present name: OLWYN JAE OJALA-WESTBROOK

Proposed name: OLWYN JAE OJALA
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not

be granted.

NOTICE OF HEARING: Dec. 5, 2003, at 9:00 a.m. The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey,

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.

(s) Michael S. Fields

Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: Oct. 21, 2003.

Publication dates: Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2003. (PC1104)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a public hearing in the City Hall Council Chambers, located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, on Wednesday, November 12, 2003. The public hearing will be opened at 4:30 P.M. or as soon thereafter as possible.

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1. Title 17 Amendment Consideration of an ordinance amending Title 17 of the Carmel Municipal Code. The ordinance would remove the requirement for a Use Permit for projects that alter nonconforming buildings beyond 25% of their value.

Planning Commission City of Carmel-by-the-Sea (s) Anne Morris Secretary of said Commission Publication dates: Nov. 7, 2003. (PC1105)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE of CLIFTON FERRELL HART Case Number MP 16726

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SPLIT

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tion is. There's got to be another answer," said Rice. He said combining the districts has led to better staffing and a 24hour presence at the stations, less duplication of resources, a

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unified administration, improved response times and "more clout with the county as one voice."

Cummings and Kurz said consolidation has yielded poor communication and unhappy volunteers - neither of which is good for the public.

"We want to have the best level of service for our community. We were the best, and we're being dragged down," said Cummings. "It's bad for morale."

Some of the valley station volunteers have threatened to resign, but Cummings said he talked them out of it.

"I don't want anyone to quit. That doesn't solve anything, and that hurts the community, too."

LAFCO decides

Like consolidation, detachment would have to be studied and voted on by the Local Agency Formation Commission. According to senior LAFCO analyst Kris Berry, repre-

'The bottom line is what's in the best interest of the taxpayers and the residents, and I don't think that deconsolida-

tion is.'

— Bob Rice

sentatives of the area desiring detachment would file an application and then gather signatures of 25 percent of the voters or property owners within that area. If successful, the application would become active and proponents would have to develop a service plan and address fiscal matters for the new, separate district. LAFCO staff would prepare a recommendation and the commission would vote. A no-vote would kill the drive, and approval would take effect unless a certain percentage of the populace disagreed at the required protest hearing. More

> than 25 percent of registered voters or property owners would push the matter to an election, while more than half would kill the application.

Rice called detachment efforts a waste of time, resources and money the district does not have to spare.

"The consolidation was cited by LAFCO and county officials as a model of communities working together for the greater good, and I still think that's the direction in which we should continue," he said.

Directors Kurz, Pete Garneau, Parham, Weiss, Gene Erner and Tim Heaston voted to discuss the issue Nov. 20.

"Obviously, there's tension on both sides here," Cummings said. "Everyone needs to sit down and put aside their personal views, get it out on the table and do what's right for the commu-

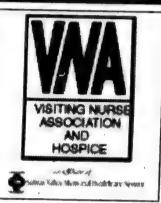


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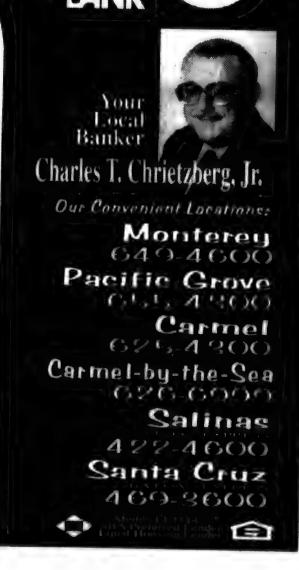


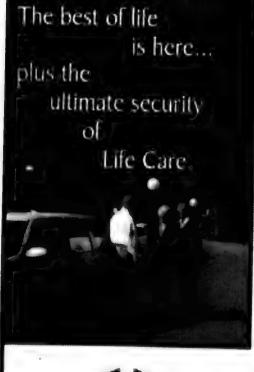
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NANCY LEE GOSS, 72, a graduate of Sunset School, Carmel High and Tufts University and a former swim coach for the Carmel Recreation Department, died Sept. 30.

Born in Sacramento, Mrs. Goss was a former member of All Saints Episcopal Church and a very active member of St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church. She had worked as a flight attendant for United Airlines and traveled the world, and also lived for a time in Tripoli, New Zealand and Australia.

Mrs. Goss is survived by her sons, John of Carmel and David of California; and two grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert, in

Memorials are suggested to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tenn., 38105.

DR. JOHN STUART CODD, a dentist who retired with his wife to Pebble Beach in 1986, died Sept. 29. He was 77.

A native of Colfax, Wash., he served in the Army Air Force during World War II and then attended the University of Washington, graduating from the university in 1948 and from the University of Washington School of Dentistry in 1953.

After a five-year practice in Seattle, he moved his family to Pleasanton and practiced in nearby Livermore for 28 years.

Dr. Codd was a life member of the American and California dental associations. He belonged to the Southern Alameda County Dental Society and was a founding member of the Livermore-Pleasanton Dental Study Club.

An avid golfer and tennis player, Dr. Codd was a member

of the Carmel Valley Racquet Club and Monterey Peninsula Country Club. He belonged to SIRS and the First Presbyterian Church in Monterey. Dr. Codd also enjoyed fishing, camping and hiking and he and Mrs. Codd traveled extensively.

Dr. Codd is survived by Lois, his wife of 53 years; sons Jack of San Jose and David of Marina; a daughter, Barbara of Washington; three brothers, Dr. Richard of Colorado, Russell of San Francisco and Judge Paul of Seattle; and one grandson.

The family suggests memorial contributions be sent to the Lymphoma Research Foundation of America, 8800 Venice Blvd., Suite 207, Los Angeles, CA 90034; or the Hospice of the Central Coast.

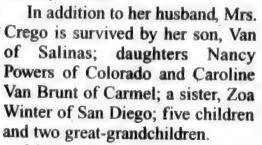
JANET W. CREGO, 79, a 34-year Carmel resident known as "Mother Nature" by the Boy Scouts for her service as a Merit Badge Counselor, died Oct. 3.

Born in San Diego, she attended Columbia College and the University of South Carolina where she joined the Delta Zeta Sorority, where she was elected treasurer. She met her husband, Arthur, in Charleston and they married in 1944.



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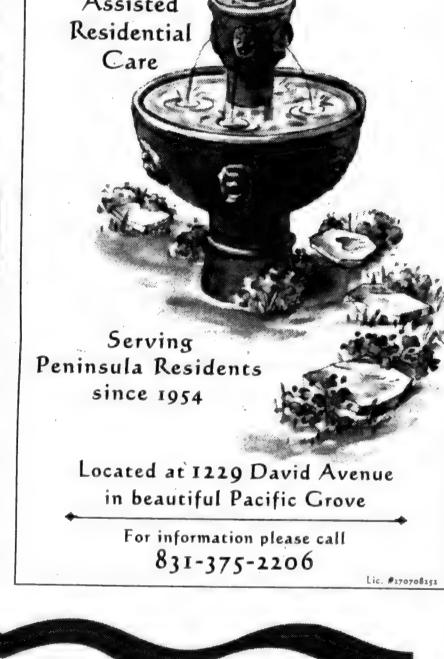
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Carmel planning director di Iorio leaves post

By MARY BROWNFIELD

CARMEL PLANNING and Building Director Christi di Iorio, hired early last year after a months-long search for a department head, is no longer on the city payroll. Her official last day was Wednesday, according to city administrator Rich Guillen, who would not say whether di Iorio was fired or left of her own accord.

Rather than mount an immediate quest for a replacement, Guillen said he will scrutinize department operations for more efficient ways to operate.

"I'll basically empower the staff to give me their suggestions," he said. Guillen estimated it would be six months before he brings the city council suggestions for streamlining planning staff responsibilities.

In the meantime, he will provide policy

direction when needed but will largely leave the department in the hands of principal planner Brian Roseth and building official Tim Meroney, both longtime city employees.

"I think they really can work on their own," Guillen said, adding that Roseth was planning director before he left the position in favor of the principal planner role. "They have such good experience."

And in a time of tight budgets and dip-

ping into reserves, Guillen said there's an added benefit to keeping the job vacant.

"With that position not funded, obviously there's a savings," he said, referring to di Iorio's \$110,292 annual pay. She had worked at the Southern California city of La Quinta as planning director from 1995 until moving to Carmel in February 2002 to take the planning director job here, with a starting salary of \$102,852.

DIRECTORS

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Knight said. "They really feel the water board needs new direction — they don't want business as usual. And they want the board to be refocused on its original intent: to come up with a water supply project.

"And hopefully we'll be able to do that."
All three plan to get to work as soon as
they are sworn in at next month's board

"The first thing I want to do is open communication with the cities and the county," Foy said, including reestablishing the technical and political advisory committees which had been staffed with local government and water district representatives. "Our job is to find a water supply — to find the cities and county what they need."

To that end, Foy and Knight pledged their support for Cal-Am's construction of a large desalination plant at Moss Landing to supply areas throughout the county and more than make up for the utility's overpumping of Carmel River.

"We need to get in touch with Cal-Am management staff and find out where they are and why they haven't moved faster," Foy said. Since the Moss Landing plant is outside the water district's jurisdiction, the agency regulating its development is the California Public Utilities Commission.

Realizing she will be joining a new minority on the board, Markey said she will use her skills as a negotiator to help the district move toward a project which meets everyone's needs.

"I look forward to serving on the board and working with my fellow board members to solve the Peninsula's water shortage," she said. In negotiating — a skill she has honed as a public agency attorney — "You find common ground and work on areas where you can work together. You focus on your common ground in order to get things accomplished."

Shelve Sand City, reevaluate laws, hires

Two incoming directors favor shelving the small Sand City desal project being pursued by the current water board, though Markey still favors it because it would be controlled and owned by the district and its voters, not by Cal-Am.

"A lot of time and money have been put into the Sand City project, and it would be a waste of the taxpayers' money to throw that away," she said.

Foy said environmental analysis of the district's plant will not go to waste, since it will have to be included in the study of the Moss Landing project.

"Every alternative has to be considered," in the EIR, Foy said, including Cal-Am's age-old idea of building a new dam on Carmel River, and no water project at all. "We'll be getting up to speed on those things, but I don't think any of us wants to throw additional money at it."

Knight also wants to examine ordinances passed over the last few years, including strict permit requirements for small wells in the valley, to see what their ramifications have been and if they are worth keeping.

"I'd like to reevaluate their costs and benefits, see if they're effective, and if not, get rid of them," she said. "Lots of them seem to be nitpicky. I don't think that was the intent of this district, but in its zeal, the board has gone a bit too far in over regulating people."

Foy wondered if such scrutiny would be worthwhile.

"Sometimes these things get imposed and don't sound good on the surface, but when they come down the line, they're not that devastating. Maybe we don't want to open those doors again."

Markey wants at least one recent ordinance—the law forbidding the sale of water credits to the highest bidder—to remain.

"I hope to be able to preserve the work the board has done to prevent water profiteering," she said.

Foy and Knight favor water credit transfers as the only means by which the district's six cities and the county can make use of what little water there is until a new supply comes online.

"I think the cities should be able to use the allocations that have been given to them in the most creative ways that they can come up with," Knight said.

Foy believes transfers save water because 15 percent is withheld by the district every time a transfer takes place, and he assured residents the board would continue working diligently to protect the environment.

The district also needs to hire a permanent general manager as soon as possible, according to Foy. Former water board member and attorney Fran Farina has been acting GM since Ernie Avila quit in March, and so far, the board has had no luck finding a

replacement. Directors recently voted to keep Farina on through June 2004 at a salary of \$11,000 a month.

Foy, Knight and Markey will be sworn in as new directors at the regular board meeting Dec. 15.

CAL-AM

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threat and to make sure the costs are borne by the companies responsible for the problem," said Victor Sher, a San Francisco attorney representing Cal-Am.

According to the lawsuit, five parts per billion of MTBE in water "can render it undrinkable by changing its odor and taste," while a level of 13 ppb is "considered a health risk because of the chemical's potential for causing cancer." MTBE has also been linked in university studies to depression, headache, dizziness, nausea and asthma.

Widespread contamination

Cal-Am's suit, filed in Monterey County Superior Court Sept. 30, is the latest in a string of similar lawsuits by cities, water companies and private well owners across the country, accusing the oil companies of promoting MTBE as an environmentally beneficial additive to gasoline, even while they allegedly knew of its dangers. And while the chemical will be banned in California at the end of the year, its persistence and mobility underground mean that the threat from old contaminations will be long-term, Cal-Am said. The company operates more than a dozen water systems in California, including the utility that supplies water to more than 100,000 Monterey Peninsula residents.

"MTBE [has] numerous vile properties," according to the Cal-Am suit. "It spreads farther and faster than other components of gasoline, resists biodegradation, is difficult and costly to remove from groundwater, and can continue to migrate to new areas long after its initial discharge, contaminating an increasing number of drinking water wells as it moves."

The oil companies, including Unocal, ConocoPhillips, Citgo, Chevron, Texaco, Exxon, Mobil, Atlantic Richfield and BP, "engaged in joint activity to deceive the government as well as the public regarding these dangers," the suit said.

In some communities, the damage has been widespread. Santa Monica had to abandon more than 70 percent of its municipal water supply in 1996 because of MTBE contamination. Last summer, two oil giants agreed to spend up to \$200 million to build a treatment plant to clean up the city's supply.

In 2001, Exxon agreed to pay \$12 million to help clean up groundwater in South Lake Tahoe.

Another lawsuit has been settled by oil companies in Orange County.

According to an industry newsletter, MTBE has been detected in 27 percent of urban wells and 1.3 percent of agricultural wells across the country. The San Francisco Chronicle reported that nationwide cleanup

costs have been estimated at \$29 billion.

Dion said the timing of Cal-Am's suit was dictated in part by a new federal energy bill, which may exempt oil and petrochemical companies from suits over MTBE contamination because use of the additive was encouraged by federal air quality laws.

The House version the bill contains the exemption, while the Senate bill does not. The issue is now in a conference committee.

Whatever happens to the bill, Cal-Am hopes the "safe harbor" for the oil companies will not apply to suits filed before Oct. 1, Dion said.

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for services.

"We're one of the first cities to do this," city attorney Don Freeman told the council. "The League of California Cities has been monitoring us, and to the best of my knowledge, no city since Proposition 218 has placed one on the ballot and been successful."

After the meeting, city administrator Rich Guillen said a stormwater utility fee might have a chance with voters after the expanded program — required by the Clean Water Act — is in place. Opponents of the fee had derided the city for repeatedly changing estimates of what it would cost to stop polluted runoff from reaching the ocean.

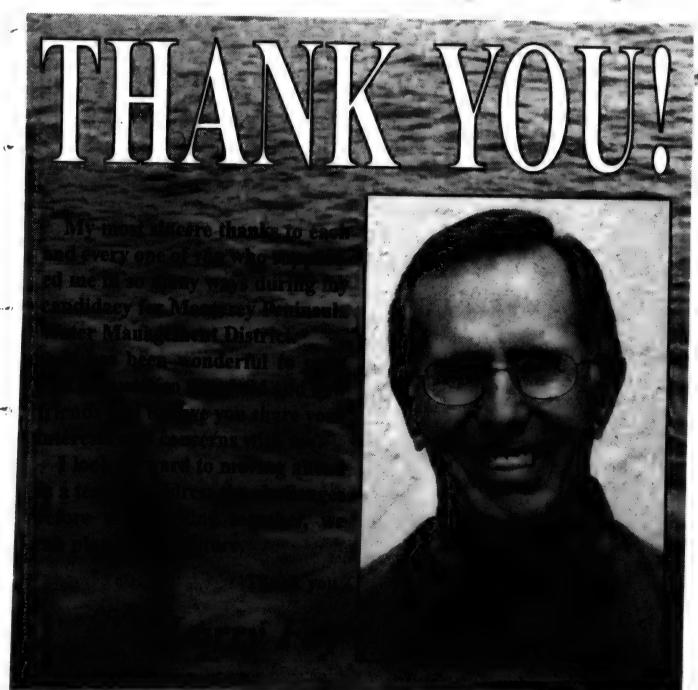
"We may try again, but I don't think we should try until we know what we're actually spending," he said. "I think part of the concern was the budget, and were those numbers real, or not? Once we have a track record and can demonstrate them, it will be a better sell."

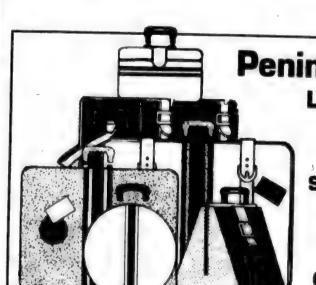
In the meantime, Guillen will ask the Environmental Protection Agency how long Carmel has to get its stormwater system upgrades in place.

"This is just another expense that's going to be added to increasing expenditures, and we're going to have to balance the budget without having all the revenues we need to do that," he said. The costs will be addressed during mid-year budget discussions this winter.

"Once again, we'll be looking closely at some of the city assets that don't bring us any revenues — Flanders Mansion, Scout House and Rio Park, for which the city pays \$300,000 in debt service a year and it just sits there," he said. "I seriously think that, although this tends to be very controversial, the council has an idea of what it wants to do with those properties."

With the city council already deciding to sell or lease Flanders Mansion, Guillen hinted it might decide to sell other property as well,





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According to Power, "every area grows a different foot" because a horse's hoof grows under pressure from the weight of the animal and adapts to the type of ground it walks on.

In Carmel Valley the ground is hard and produces a tough hoof, a factor among many Power adjusts for in his work. "We all have different shoe needs," Power explained, "but unlike a basketball player who can change out of his court shoes if he is going out to dinner, horses just have one set of shoes." He fits the shoe for standing first, then adds nuances specific to the horse's job. "The ideal way to shoe a horse is to make the shoe and hoof one piece. A 100 percent perfect fit is one that complements the horse at a standstill," he said, "balanced, like a pillar coming right up out of the ground."

Power, who has been making horseshoes since he was a teen, fulfilled his "life-long dream" when he drove his horseshoe mobile from Virginia to Carmel Valley 18 months ago. He said he has always admired California's topography and the Pacific Ocean. "It called me, you could say."

One of nine siblings, Power grew up immersed in all things equine. His father owned brood mares — up to 300 at a time and bred racing thoroughbreds. Continuing the family tradition of working with horses "was for me to do," he said. When he was 9,

he remembers someone asking him if he wanted to be a vet. He replied, "No, I think I want to shoe horses."

By the age of 12 he was conditioning race horses, and at 16 he began shoeing. At first he argued with his parents about the merits of making shoes versus what he saw as the more convenient ready-made variety, but as he gained skilled as a smith, he came around to their view that the difference between custom-made and prefab shoes is "enormous."

The red-hot steel from Power's forge brings extra benefits: it kills any infection; it allows the farrier to smooth the steel so it won't break the skin if the horse accidentally kicks himself and it lets him eliminate gaps between the shoe and the hoof. Power said it is possible to do these things with a premade shoe, but only an experienced farrier who has been "using fire and making shoes from the beginning" would have the skills and know-how to create a custom fit.

Calling the trade a "tough industry," he said that because of competition, a lot of smiths won't part with information - "You have to steal it with your eyes." Power said he was lucky because he grew up surrounded by people who loved him and shared their experience. He apprenticed under three hall of famers (The International Horseshoeing Hall of Fame in Lexington, Ky.) and hopes to be inducted himself one day. "It's an art," he said. "A lot can go wrong with shoeing a horse. My method allows for fewer mistakes."

Scholink admitted he was skeptical of the necessity of custom-made shoes before the first time he hired Power and even complained to his wife, "These shoe guys are all

the same." But he changed his mind after seeing Power in action at the forge - "He's incredible," Scholink said.

Sold-out gala raises six-digit donation

A STAR-STUDDED gathering at Spanish Bay last month raised an unprecedented \$230,000 for the local efforts of the Make-A-Wish Foundation, a nonprofit which meets the wishes of children and families facing life-threatening illnesses.

"No wish goes unfulfilled," said Valentia Piccinini, who co-chaired the Oct. 25 gala with Dina Eastwood, Jamel Ehnisz, Ksenija Halamandaris and Cynthia House.

She attributed the success of the third annual fundraiser, dubbed, "When You Wish Upon a Star," to Eastwood's ability to bring TV stars Ray Romano and Kevin James on board and the community's generous donations of live and silent auction items. Although the numbers have yet to be finalized, Piccinini said the sold-out evening's proceeds are estimated at \$230,000 - more than double last year's \$104,000 raised.

"The response was overwhelming," she said, adding that many "wish kids" and their families reside here. She hopes more will come forward to make their wishes known.

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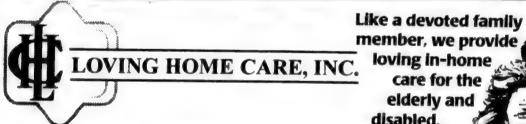
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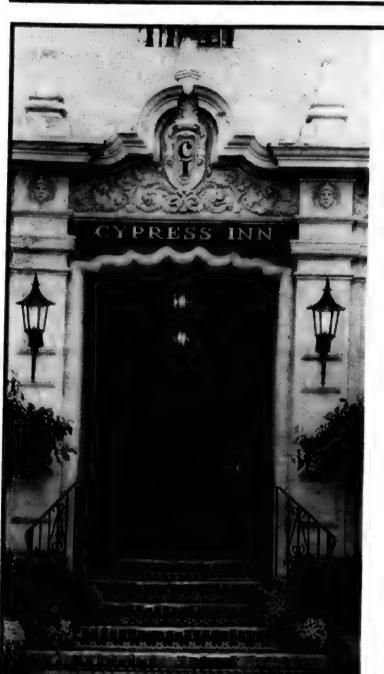


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Yes on Q

READY FOR another election?

Next week, almost 150,000 mail-in ballots will go out to voters countywide, asking whether they support a half-cent increase in the sales tax to fund Natividad Hospital.

The tax has a tough hill to climb. It has to be approved by a two-thirds vote to become law. On Tuesday, Carmel property owners didn't even give a 50 percent yes vote to a \$39-per-parcel assessment to reduce pollution flowing into Carmel Bay. Many other tax increases have met similar fates at the ballot box in recent years.

But also this week, a whopping 72 percent of Pacific Grove residents gave a thumbs-up to a parcel tax for the city's schools. That outcome showed that, despite widespread sentiment that taxes are already too high, the citizenry will open its collective pocketbook if the issue is important enough. Natividad Hospital certainly qualifies, because it provides an essential service that is a basic obligation of modern society: health care for the poor.

Here on the Monterey Peninsula, it's easy to forget the legions of people who don't have health insurance and ready access to medical care. But in the Salinas Valley, thousands don't know where to turn when they, or a loved one, are sick. Natividad is there for them. Simple compassion requires that it be kept open. Also, the doctors and staff at the hospital deserve the public's support.

Natividad — like any government agency — surely has some waste in its budget. Nobody is pretending it is perfectly run. But, on balance, the hospital delivers outstanding value for taxpayer dollars.

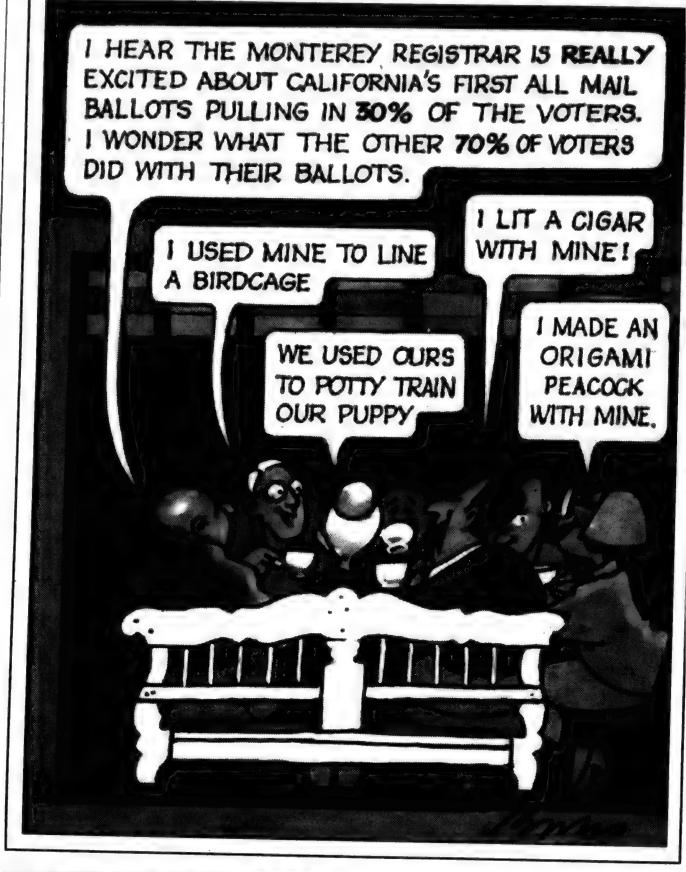
Furthermore, this election provides another opportunity for voters to remind their representatives in Salinas, Sacramento and Washington what the government's priorities should be:

- Make the streets and the nation safe
- Give everybody a high-quality, free education until they are 18
- Offer basic health care to those who can't afford it

Thanks to special interest lobbying, irresponsible news coverage and political pandering, too much of the public's money is spent on less important programs, while these basic obligations are unfulfilled.

Please help rectify this situation by voting Yes on Measure Q.

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'Shape a healthy future' **Dear Editor:**

I urge all Monterey County voters to cast a "yes" vote on Measure Q to save Monterey County's healthcare system.

Measure Q will provide critical funding to maintain services at Natividad Medical Center, our county hospital. Measure Q's passage will cost most consumers only a few pennies per day.

We live in tough times. Measure Q offers an opportunity and a challenge to our entire community to shape a healthy future for our county. Measure Q requires a 2/3 majority to pass. Your YES vote will cost you little to

nothing. For many, the outcome of this vote may indeed be a matter of life and death. Let's join together and demonstrate why Monterey County is a special and caring place to live.

Vote "YES on Measure Q" and return your mail ballot before December 2n~ to guarantee a healthy prognosis for our county's health and our community's future.

Bill Monning, Carmel

'Stop this madness now' Dear Editor:

Measure Q is more about control over the taxpayer's wallet than about a badly managed hospital. The problem is, government has a habit of trying to make citizens dependent on their programs. They don't want people to be independent or self-responsible. For example, under the Soviet Union's socialized system, dissenters were routinely denied medical treatment. And, of course, there were no other medical services available.

Measure Q is just another scheme to take away more money and authority from citizens and give it to an ever-growing government and to ever-expanding labor unions. If Measure Q passes, these pro-tax people have another half-cent sales tax increase already in the wings, for transportation. Where will it stop? How many people can

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live if 60 percent of their income is eaten up in taxes? How about 70 percent? We need to stop this madness now and cut taxes immediately, not raise them. Vote NO on Measure Q. See our website www.no-on-q.com

L.K. Samuels, Chair Taxpayers Against a Sales Tax Increase

Carmel Valley Forum does advocate incorporation Dear Editor:

While we value the Pine Cone's ongoing interest in the Carmel Valley incorporation debate, we members of the Carmel Valley Forum board must point out that your coverage (Oct. 31) perpetrates an error in stating that the forum is "sponsoring the incorporation drive."

From its inception, the forum has not, will not, and — under law — cannot advocate for or against incorporation. Nothing has changed. The forum's singular function is to sponsor the Comprehensive Fiscal Analysis mandated by the state in order to discover whether incorporation is fiscally and jurisdictionally feasible. Raising tax-deductible contributions is how the forum will help pay for the CFA. That is the forum's only mission and mandate. Thank you for correcting and clarifying this important point.

Scott MacClelland, Vice President, CVF

'Disastrous for Carmel Valley' Dear Editor:

I strongly object to Nick Lombardo's idea, a "proposed village" behind Carmel Middle School. According to a front page Pine Cone article in the Oct. 24 issue, his plan to build a "nearly 280-unit" housing development would bring about a "reduction in traffic." Converting the 18-hole West Golf Course at Rancho Cañada to housing would eliminate "the approximately 100,000 traffic trips per year its current use generates."

Having read that, I did the math. Using 280 times 2 cars on average per household equals 560 cars. Let's assume these 560 make just one trip out of the "village" per day. 560 times 365. That's 204,400 trips per

year. More than double the current golf traffic!

This development would be disastrous for Carmel Valley. We solved our traffic problem with the climbing lane on Highway 1. It makes no sense to add 500-plus cars to traffic at the mouth of the valley. Incidentally, if The Pine Cone had done objective reporting, the article would have included the true impact on valley residents.

Anne Greene, Carmel

'Astounding to the point of incredulity' Dear Editor:

I found one article in your recent issue to be most gratifying. It even eclipsed world news and the California fires. The headline, "Mixed-income village could sprout on C.V. golf course," was astounding to the point of incredulity. The president of the Rancho Cañada Golf Course in Carmel Valley is proposing a compact, mixed-housing development with up to 50 percent (yes, 50 percent!) affordable units for the workforce. Not only that, he spelled out the savings in reduced rents, traffic (100,000 golf trips), commuting, water use — AND preservation of a mile of riverfront as open space with native plants. Am I dreaming? Hats off to Mr. Lombardo — a great guy!

Barbara Tyrrell, Pacific Grove

Town hall proposed Dear Editor:

It appears that the Sunset Cultural Center, Carmel's new crown jewel, is about to go under new management. The city council, in a special meeting called at the last minute on Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2003, directed the city administrator "to negotiate a management/lease agreement with the Sunset Cultural Center Corporation," a newly formed nonprofit corporation.

Sunset Center is owned by the citizens of Carmel (not the city council). Thus, it would seem reasonable that the citizens be informed of what this involves and why. Yet, other than sporadic appearances on council agendas over the past year or more (pretty much under the community's radar) the matter has apparently been basically out of sight as far as the general public is concerned. It

would not be unreasonable to think that most Carmel citizens are not even aware that this is happening.

Whether this is a good idea or not is not known by the community. A project of the magnitude of the Sunset Center renovation, with all its wonderful new facilities and its promising future together with its potentially beneficial effect on our town, deserves the studied attention of the citizenry when it comes to major decisions such as the management of the facility and activities related thereto. For more than 30 years, Sunset Center has operated quite successfully, especially given the hurdles imposed by the limitations and condition of the building itself. Over this time, a series of devoted members of the cultural commission and capable directors have made that possible. The newly

upgraded facility broadens the potential enormously, and it is not wrong to look at possible improvements in how it is managed. However, to exclude the citizens of Carmel from this review is wrong.

Thus, I propose that the city council organize and hold a series of public "town hall" meetings or workshops where the public can be thoroughly briefed on what has transpired so far as well as having the opportunity for any and all of their questions to be answered. This meeting cannot be just another council meeting with all the attendant limitations on debate and comment, but rather must be a situation where everyone figuratively sits together at the same table. A free exchange of information and ideas is absolutely necessary before any final decision is made.

Olof Dahlstrand, Carmel



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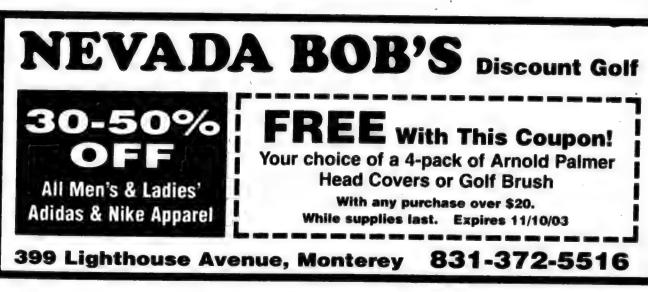
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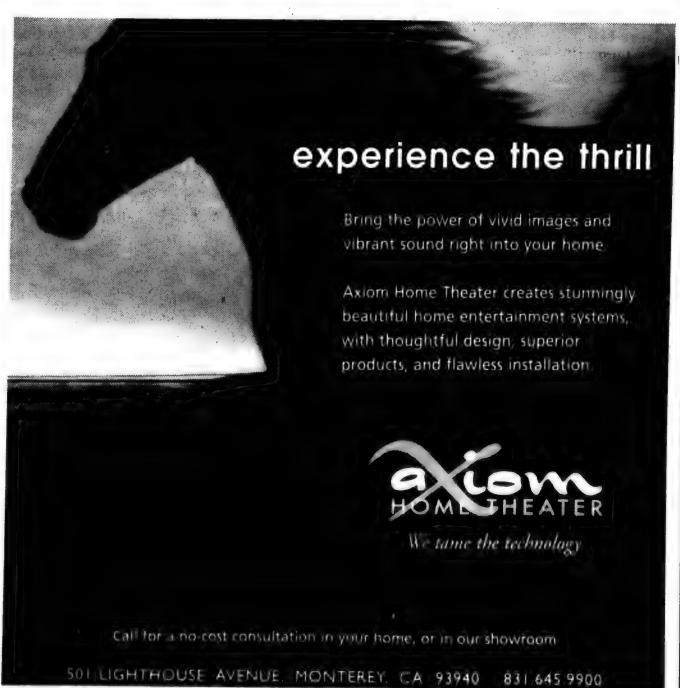
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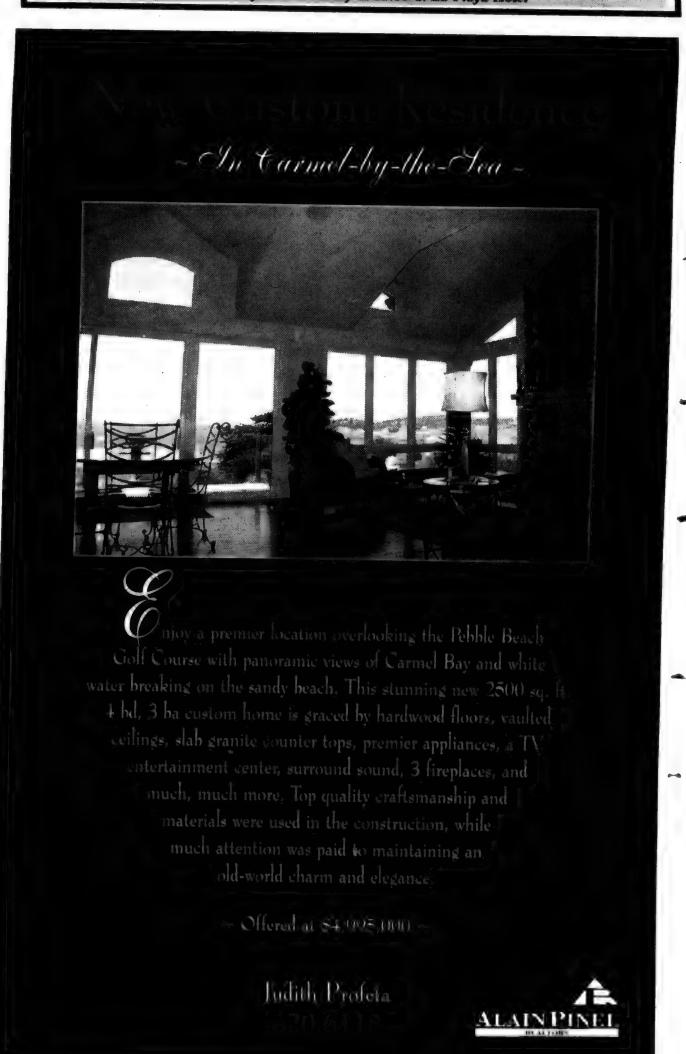
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We are pleased to welcome the following three new members: Lucy Willman, leasing & marketing manager; Monta Potter, community and social services; and David A Bernahl, retail sales. The club is looking forward to hearing the following speakers for the month of November and December: November 12, Bagpipe Association of Monterey County; November 19, Karl Pallastrini/Suzanne Cowden - Carmel High Community Service Overview; December 3, Joanne Hagg - Immigration Attorney - Current Immigration Issues and Challenges. Meetings will not be held on December 24 and 31.

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By Margot Petit Nichols

BARNUM HOLLIDAY, 5, a Jack Russell with a can do" attitude, has lots of friends on Carmel Beach which he visits twice daily with Mom Belinda. His especial pals are Lilly and Gigi Colletto, toy poodles, and Angus Blair, a shepherd/collie mix.

It was Angus who recently gifted Barnum with a plush toy bugle that plays "First Call" when squeezed. He just adores it and goes about the house playing it throughout the day.

When not otherwise occupied, he guards the house from blue jays and squirrels as they give him an excuse to climb trees in pursuit. Barnum takes his watchdog duties seriously, and when Mom and Dad Jim are away on an errand, he periodically runs all

over the property, around the pond, up on the deck, across to Dad's writing studio, barking early warnings to anyone who may be lurking with nefarious ideas of property invasion even when no one is in evidence.

As Mom is an artist. Barnum supervises as she paints from a vantage point in her studio, and has been known to come away with a few fetching daubs on his rough coat of fur. And as Dad is a writer, Barnum oversees his creative typing from atop pillows piled high on Dad's studio coach. Where would Mom and Dad be without his constant loving supervision?

At night Barnum likes

to get entirely under the covers in Mom and Dad's bed - a practice peculiar to Jack Russells - creeping over toward Dad for more warmth. When it gets too warm under there, he puts his little head on Dad's pillow. It's an endearing sight, Mom says.







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Interest rates drive 3rd quarter home sales to all-time high









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CARMEL - SOUTH COAST

133 Carmel Riviera Dr \$1,235,000 Eric S & Isabel Y Gray to Kenneth M & Daria B Shachmut

CARMEL VALLEY

25316 Carmel Knolls Dr \$1,095,000 David Vincent to Richard I & Joan E Post 5452 Quail Meadow Dr \$1,400,000 Ronald L Whaley to Ronald M & Donna Y Garren

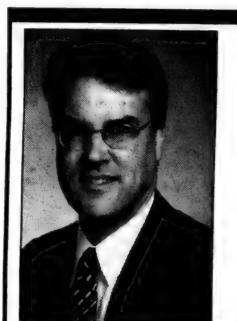
149 Hacienda Carmel \$320,000

James L & Mary A Wortham to John C & Theodore I Guzowski

PEBBLE BEACH

1045 Parkway Dr \$775,000 John F & C Ruth Sloan to William C & Stephanie Sendell IV 1432 Lisbon Ln \$2,500,000

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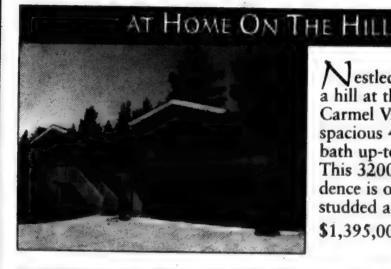
Tucked away in Carmel Woods is a most unique home which was built 50 years ago by an equally unique lady. Drive to the corner of Portola and San Lucas Streets and you will find an imposing brick structure of European style which was constructed for **COUNTESS LILLIAN DANDINI to** be her Carmel weekender. If the house seems grand for a weekend hideaway, one must understand that she called the 100 plus room Pullman Mansion in Hillsborough home on a permanent basis. A patron of the arts, she regularly enjoyed Carmel's Bach Festival and signalled her friends and neighbors that she was "in residence" by throwing a Spanish blanket over the second floor porch rail. The Countess died in the late 60's and her home sold through her estate. We had the good fortune to handle that sale, consummated in the study of the Hillsborough mansion, and were invited to help with the disposal of another parcel owned by the Countess...that being the "Pussy Cat Theatre" in Oakland. We didn't have much success on that one!

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CARMEL - Magnificent gated mini-estate on a rare 1/4 acre lot. The house boasts three bedrooms plus two bonus rooms, two full baths, a two-car garage and a gourmet kitchen with granite countertops, Sub-Zero refrigerator, Viking gas range and a Bosch dishwasher. The home is back from the street, behind two privacy walls and the landscaping is lush, well designed and beautifully maintained on a drip system.

\$1,499,000

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CARMEL VALLEY — Quality single level, three bedroom, three and one half bath home on 2.5 acres in the prestigious gated community of Quail Meadows. The home enjoys vaulted ceilings with skylights, a spacious living room with step down bar, two fireplaces, custom kitchen, den/office and a three car garage. Backyard with patio, lawn, terraced gardens and built-in barbecue, ideal for indoor/outdoor living.

\$2,785,000

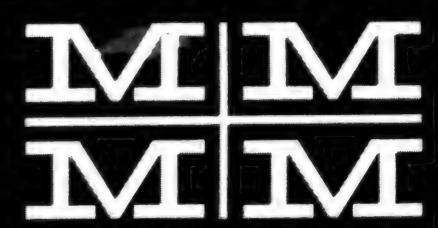
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CARMEL — Remodeled in 2001, this lovely cottage features two baths, a spacious kitchen, complemented with granite counters, wine cooler, fine appliances, a sunroom overlooking the stone courtyard, gardens and a picturesqué sprawling oak. Many amenities such as three bay windows, an arbor in the front gardens, a two-sided fireplace, French doors, radiant heat in kitchen and sunroom, and hardwood floors in the rest of the home.

\$1,175,000

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PACIFIC GROVE — Steps to town, and a short jaunt to the bay and recreation trail is this ideally situated, two bedroom, one bath home. Well-maintained offering a living room with fireplace that flows into the spacious kitchen. A sunroom and large loft area featuring skylights and drop-down stairs provide additional living space. New roof, copper plumbing and upgraded electrical sys-

\$615,000

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CARMEL VALLEY — Within walking distance to the village, restaurants, post office, community pool and park is this sunny two bedroom, two bath Stone Post and Flower cabin style home. Offering kitchen with breakfast bar, living/dining room combo with fireplace, high beamed ceilings with skylights and an upstairs loft that can be used as a third bedroom or office. Serene back patio highlighted by mountain views.

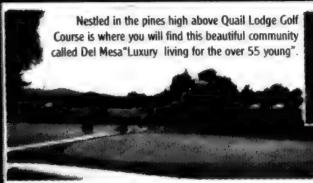
\$599,000

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CARMEL — This recently constructed 3359 sq. ft. Mediterranean beauty has four bedrooms, three and one half baths is just steps from the ocean and private beach access. Along with whitewater views, features include limestone and marble flooring with radiant heat, cherry cabinets, granite counters, two Bosch dishwashers, Viking cooktop; Thermador oven, Sub-Zero refrigerator, two home theaters, three fireplaces, hot tub, and more.

\$2,250,000 624-0136



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\$595,000

SUNNY "OAKS" MEDITERRANEAN



SALINAS HWY

This beautiful four bedroom, three plus bath Mediterranean home is situated on more than 1.1 acres.

Highlights of this home include a courtyard with cascading fountain and picturesque gardens, a drip irrigation system, fireplace, hot tub, extensive patio area and a flowing floor plan just perfect for enter-

taining. Walking distance to the neighborhood community pool. \$1,049,000 646-2120



CARMEL. — A charming cleaned-up Carmel cottage in a walk-to-town location. Remodel, rebuild, or rent on this oversized 60 x 100 foot lot. This cute two bedroom, one bath home with fireplace, hardwood floors and large fenced yard could also be a great vacation getaway at a reasonable price. Come see for yourself.

\$720,000 624-6482



PACIFIC GROVE – Located in a desirable gated community with a lake and tennis court. This light-filled lakeside townhome has two bedrooms plus an office/library or three bedrooms, two and one half baths with an attached two car garage. Professionally remodeled to include crown molding, tile and hardwood floors, tile patio, new appliances and much more.

\$595,000



PEBBLE BEACH — Spectacular location, steps to The Lodge with Pt. Lobos ocean views. French doors open to over an acre of manicured gardens and mature oak trees. Over 4,000 sq. ft. of open living space with formal entry, vaulted cathedral ceilings, French doors, decks and courtyard. Impeccably maintained, this Eric Miller design and remodel boasts four large bedrooms and three and one half baths including separate guest quarters.

\$3,200,000 624-0136



CARMEL.—This secluded three bedroom, three and one half bath contemporary in Jacks Peak is on a private culde-sac with five beautiful acres as well as panoramic ocean views from Monterey to Santa Cruz. This sophisticated home features large, bright rooms, a huge gournet kitchen, two fireplaces, and spacious tiled terraces overlooking a lovely pool.

\$2,490,000

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MONTEREY — Located in one of the best Monterey complexes with lovely grounds and pool is this contemporary 2,100 sq. ft. unit in move-in condition. With three bedrooms and three baths, this property enjoys a separate dining room, formal entry, living room with fireplace, extra storage space and a two-car attached garage.

\$750,000 646-2120



CARRAEL VALLEY — A private, fenced, 3.8 acre property set in Los Ranchito, features a restored/remodeled two-bedroom, one bath cottage, plus vineyard, and classic old six-stall barn. Includes a Carmel stone walkway, redwood deck, sunroom, plus fireplace, hearth, and mantel re-built in Carmel River Stone. Approved plans with permits to build a 4500+ sq. ft. home designed by George Brook-Kothlow. Well and water credits included.

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CARMEL VALLEY

This five-year-old, two bedroom, two and one half bath Carmel Valley Ranch home is situated atop the Summit on a large, private lot bordered by a greenbelt, with 180-degree views of the mountains and valley. Upgrades include hardwood floors, granite & marble countertops, maple cabinetry, skylight, private rear deck and more. Remodel plans approved for additional 546 sq. ft. of living space.

\$1,049,000

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With privacy and ocean views, this property is situated along the second hole of famed Pebble Beach. Purchase includes approved plans, permits and water for an 8,300+ sq. ft. Mediterranean estate designed by renowned architect Arthur Valdes. Design includes four suites, four and one half baths, great room, formal dining room, library, home theater, wine cellar, exercise room and four car garage. \$10,000,000



CARMEL — Exquisitely remodeled, this Carmel Woods jewel boasts decks and Pt. Lobos views galore. Bright and sunny, this elegant home has three bedrooms, three baths, gourmet kitchen, high ceilings and an open floor plan, making it perfect for entertaining or just enjoying. Beautiful gardens and landscaping, a delightful court-yard, a private hot tub and secret patio put the finishing touches on this jewel.

\$1,695,000

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CARMEL VALLEY — Multiple split-level decks afford fantastic views of the surrounding Carmel Valley mountains and a full view down Carmel Valley and the Pacific Ocean. The 2,100 sq. ft., three bedroom, two and one half bath home is in move-in condition and enjoys a large living room and family room both with fireplaces, open kitchen with eat-in area and a two car garage.

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\$4,700,000

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CARMEL — Incredible Point Lobos, Carmel Bay and Carmel Village views from this renovated, bright, airy, well maintained, single level unit. This unit features three bedrooms, two baths, private view decks, parking, storage, decorator quality common areas and beautiful grounds. The European ambiance and elegance in this beautiful condominium are unsurpassed! Walking distance to town.

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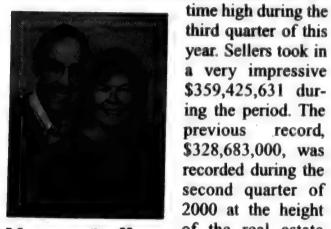
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HOUSES

Dollar volume hits all-time high

Third quarter report

DOLLAR VOLUME in the 10 Monterey Peninsula markets reached an all-



House Talk

above the second quarter.

By Paul & Nellie Brocchini

third quarter of this year. Sellers took in a very impressive \$359,425,631 during the period. The previous record, \$328,683,000, was recorded during the second quarter of 2000 at the height of the real estate and stock market booms.

The new record was up 24 percent over last year and just shy of \$100 million

Much of this success is due to the heavy sales volume of lower-priced properties. Low interest rates have definitely generated

a real estate boom all over the country. As you will see below, locally the flip side of this success is the low volume of luxury home sales.

Other measures

Two other measures of the current real estate market stand out at this time: 1) the mostly strong Market Barometer readings; and 2) the high number of transactions completed in the third quarter.

The Market Barometer, a measure of the percentage of listings in escrow, was robust on Oct. 1. Four of the 10 Peninsula markets had readings over 50 percent, with Seaside and Del Rey Oaks leading the pack with readings of 63.79 percent and 62.5 percent. These are extraordinary numbers.

Marina and Pacific Grove also enjoyed healthy readings of over 50 percent. Moving down the performance list, we see that four other markets exceeded our benchmark number of 20 percent, which has been our traditional dividing line between a slow and an active market. Monterey was way up with

Home Sales by Quarter -	— Six Quai	rter Re	view			
	2nd Qtr 2002	3rd Qtr 2002	4th Qtr 2002	1st Qtr 2003	2nd Qtr 2003	3rd Qtr 2003
Carmel	52	52	44	35	43	54
Carmel Valley	43	35	30	28	25	39
Del Rey Oaks	8	11	3	5	6	8
Marina	32	25	32	25	26	. 31
Monterey	57	41	37	29	40	51
Pacific Grove	54	33	36	36	41	59
Pebble Beach	24	19	17	19	18	34
Salinas Highway	53	57	58	28	62	. 72
Seaside	61	52	40	42	51	60
South Coast	6	6	1	6	5	7
Total	390	331	298	253	317	415

a reading of 46.03 percent, and Pebble Beach sneaked back into the good market range of 21.18 percent.

The volume slackers in the current mar-

Carmel

Marina

Seaside

Monterey

Carmel Valley

Del Rey Oaks

Pacific Grove

Pebble Beach

South Coast

Salinas Highway

Median Home Sale Prices 2001 to 2003 (dollars)

Full yr 2001

850,000

750,000

435,000

343,000

476,100

557,500

930,000

540,000

317,000

1,100,000

ket place are Carmel, Carmel Valley and South Coast. Neither Carmel nor South Coast have had a barometer reading above 20 percent for more than a year. Those mar-

909,125

945,000

465,000

365,000

584,000

545,000

915,000

670,000

347,000

2,150,000

3rd Qtr 2003

968,750

775,000

525,000

420,000

652,000

625,000

717,500

401,000

1,018,000

1,075,000

Full yr 2002 3rd Qtr 2002

910,000

825,000

457,250

369,000

535,000

529,500

650,000

339,000

1,660,000

1,006,250

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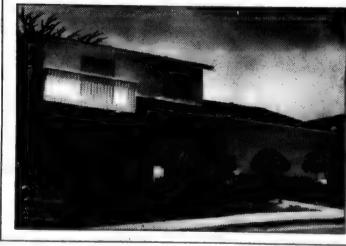
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kets are far from dead, but their high prices are not finding the number of buyers they found in the recent

Units sales boom

The number of transactions soared in the quarter compared to last year, an increase of 25 percent from 331 closed escrows in 2002 to 415 this year. The most impressive improvements were in Pacific Grove, where sales jumped from 33 to 59; Pebble Beach went from 19 to 34 and

Salinas/Monterey Highway increased from 57 to 72.

Even Carmel, which has a very low barometer reading, logged two more sales during the quarter this year than last. The number of sales in relation to the total inventory appears weak, but considering the high asking prices, the volume is not bad.

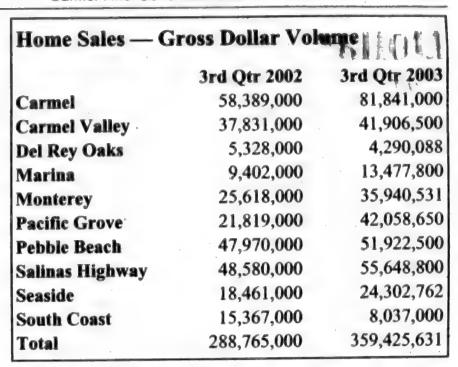
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Date	in escrow/ listings	% in escrow
	Seaside	
10/1/03	37/58	63.8
4/1/03	25/72	34.7
10/1/02	27/71	38.0
•	Marina	1
10/1/03	15/28	• 53.6
4/1/03	15/29	51.7
10/1/02	21/38	55.3
	Pacific Grove	
10/1/03	39/76	51.3
4/1/03	19/77	24.7
10/1/02	17/84	20.2
	Monterey	
10/1/03	29/63	46.0
4/1/03	20/75	26.7
10/1/02	30/65	46.2
	Salinas/Mty Highway	
10/1/03	37/130	28.5
4/1/03	47/135	34.8
10/1/02	41/116	35.3
	Pebble Beach	•
10/1/03	18/85	21.2
4/1/03	8/92	8.7
10/1/02	16/100	16.0
	Carmel Valley	
10/1/03	21/107	19.6
4/1/03	14/106	13.2
10/1/02	23/111	20.7
	South Coast	
10/1/03	8/49	16.3
4/1/03	2/39	5.1
10/1/02	1/39	2.6
	Carmel	4 .0
10/1/03	26/167	15.6
4/1/03	20/149	13.4
10/1/02	31/171	18.1

Distribution of Sales — 3rd Quarter 2003 One \$500-\$600-\$300-\$400-Under \$200-Mil+ \$599 **\$999** \$200 \$299 \$399 \$499 Carmel 26 0 0 28 0 **Carmel Valley** 12 23 0 **Del Rey Oaks** 0 Marina 14 0 5 13 28 Monterey **Pacific Grove** 19 26 6 18 Pebble Beach 0 16 20 31 14 Salinas Highway 0 26 23 Seaside 0 0 3 **South Coast** Total 35 59 76 156 84

Contrasting dollar volume in Carmel & Pebble Beach

The gross dollar volume numbers are interesting. Although Carmel had only two more sales this year than last, the dollar volume of sales was \$81,841,000, an increase of \$23,482,000 or 40 percent over last year. Pebble Beach, on the other had, had a big increase in the number of sales during the quarter, 34 this year as opposed to only 19 last year. The dollar volume, however, was not impressive, increasing only \$2,952,500.

Average Days on Market 2nd Qtr					
•	2002	2003			
Carmel	110	134			
Carmel Vly	131	102			
D. Rey Oaks	27 .	78			
Marina	76	39			
Monterey	. 101	96			
P. Grove	67	97			
Pebble Bch	184	. 120			
Salinas Hwy	108	107			
Seaside	68	71			



The difference between Pebble and Carmel is the average See BROCCHINI page 8B



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sales price is sharply up in Carmel and down in Pebble Beach. This is interesting as both markets show the median sales prices increasing this year over last. In Carmel, however, the homes that sold over the median sales price had a much higher average price this year than last. In Pebble Beach just the opposite occurred. The sales above the median sales price had a low average price, hence the meager dollar volume gain in spite of 15 additional sales.

Prices

Median sales prices were up in nine of the 10 Peninsula



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markets. Only South Coast was down from last year. In Carmel, in spite of the low sales volume in relation to the number of properties for sale, prices continued to go up. As



we noted above, not only has the median sales price risen in Carmel, but the sales over the median sold at a high average price, hence the incredible dollar volume during the quarter.

The Monterey Peninsula is a place where real estate miracles never seem to desist. There is no recession in our real estate, and no bubble either. The hoary buyer strategy of waiting — for, if not a bust, at least a softening — is failing once again on the Monterey Peninsula.

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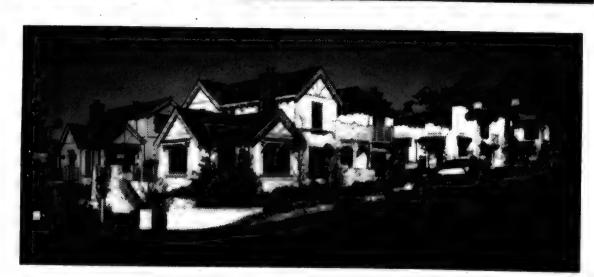


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POLICE LOG From page 4A

Pebble Beach: Civil problem at a Rodeo Road resi-

Carmel Valley: Burglary at a Carmel Valley Road residence.

Pebble Beach: Suspicious circumstances at a 17 Mile Drive address.

> WEDNESDAY, **OCTOBER 29**

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Cleaning crew found the main front door at Sunset Center would not stay shut. Door secured with handcuffs.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Grand theft from a residence at Torres and First.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female called to report a neighbor should be removed from the neighborhood. She claimed the neighbor's home is a fire hazard. She was advised the resident has a court-appointed conservator and caregivers. Female became agitated and said she felt the caregivers weren't doing their job and the police should get involved. Contacted the healthcare organization and spoke with the conservator. She advised the judge ordered that the resident can stay in her home and receive care. Resident is bipolar but is functional and mentally astute. Conservator said the neighbor complains simply because she doesn't like her. Conservator said police were not needed and that if anything were to change, it would have to be done through the court system. Contacted the female and advised her of the information. She responded that the explanation wasn't good enough and she wanted the neighbor out. She was advised she would have to go to court, and she then hung up the phone.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Suspicious person at Flanders Mansion. Caller remembered the subject from a previous contact about a year ago. Male subject said he was visiting from New Jersey. He had two female pit bulls who appeared to be friendly but were protective of their owner. He said he was staying at a Fremont Street motel. He was friendly and open about who he was but refused to consent to a search. Officer noticed a bag of white marbles on the front seat and inquired. Subject said they were used with a slingshot. Follow-up pending regarding truth of his story and possible link to a vehicle burglary. He had not had contact with his local P.D. since 1998 marijuana possession charge. He was clear of warrants.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a person sleeping in an open lot at Guadalupe and First. Contacted two subjects, one of whom gave a false name, and advised them of the CMC regarding camping.

Pebble Beach: Wallet lost at a Cypress Drive address.

Pebble Beach: Ring stolen from a Sunset Lane residence.

Carmel area: Welfare check conducted at a Carmel Knolls Drive residence.

Carmel area: Follow-up conducted at a Carmel Rancho business.

Pebble Beach: Civil problem at a Coral

Drive residence.

Carmel Valley: Civil problem at East Carmel Valley Road and Esquiline Road.

Carmel Valley: Burglary at a Laurel Drive residence. The resident found an unknown male adult in his kitchen and initially thought the subject was "lost." Deputy arrived and had the residence checked. He discovered evidence of a fresh burglary, such as ransacked drawers and items moved. Suspect taken into custody and subsequent search found him in possession of the victim's keys, the victim's son's baseball bat and a single \$100 bill. Victim's minor son reported his \$100 bill, a birthday gift, missing. No I.D. marks to connect the money to that of the stolen \$100. He was also found in possession of obvious fake Social Security card which he had presented as I.D. Neighbor identified the subject as going into the victim's residence. No forced entry as residence was left unlocked. Suspect's vehicle towed and stored. More suspicious documents found inside with multiple names. Follow-up pending. Arrested on burglary, possession of burglary tools, possession of stolen property, possession of fake government I.D.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Door found open at a See **POLICE LOG** page 10B

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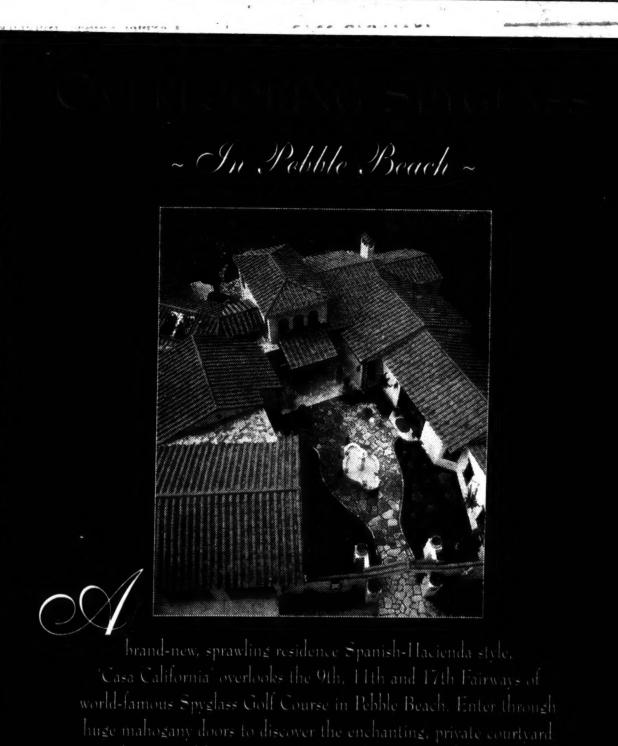
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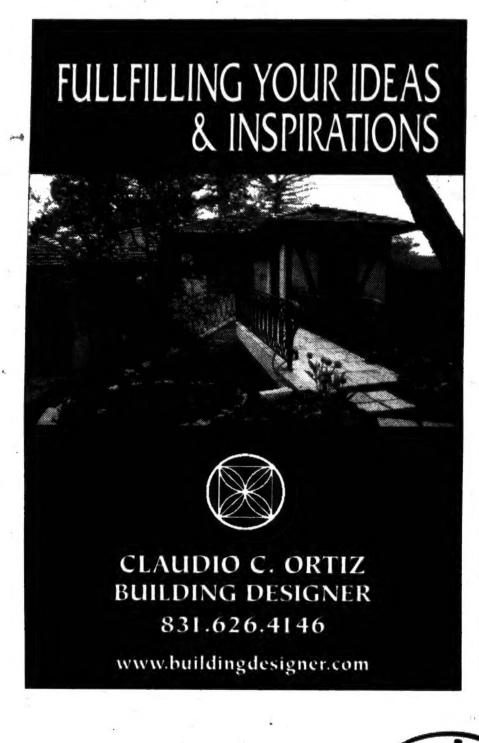
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POLICE LOG

Dolores Street art gallery. Owner was advised and responded to the scene.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: 1988 Chevy Spectrum found in the Sunset Center parking lot displaying improper plates and tabs which may have been stolen.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Assisted owner of a hotel at Mission and Third.



Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of suspicious persons in a jewelry store at Dolores and Ocean. A customer and a caller told her to "beware" of the two. They wouldn't make eye contact and stayed near the doors. She advised they looked at the ceiling and the floor plan and didn't seem interested in the jewelry. She followed them to a Honda and wrote down the license plate, which came back to a Salinas resident. Several jewelry stores reported the male subjects entered their businesses or looked through the window. All were asked to call if the subjects returned.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: While on patrol, officers observed an open window to the rear of the Junipero Serra School gym at 0128 hours. Entry made through the window and the building was searched. It appeared as though the window had mistakenly been left open, since no unusual circumstances were found.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: CPD, CFD and CRFA responded to a bank at Mission and Seventh on report of a woman choking. She was found to have recovered from choking and was breathing freely on her own. She was checked and found to be in no further need of medical attention.

Carmel area: Civil problem at a Carmel Rancho Boulevard business.



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Carmel Valley: Possible vehicle rollover at Dorris Drive and Carmel Valley Road.

Carmel area: Information taken at Carmel Center Place and Rio Road.

Pebble Beach: Past-tense malicious mischief to a mailbox at a Sloat Road residence.

Carmel area: Civil problem at Fern Canyon Road and Highway 1.

HALLOWEEN

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Assisted Pacific Grove P.D. in the investigation of a domestic violence situation that occurred in its jurisdiction.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Grand theft from a residence at Casanova and Eighth. \$2,500 worth of miscellaneous items taken. Unlawful entry gained without force.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Dispatched to Dolores and Second on a 911 hangup call. Resident's phone was not working properly and assistance was not needed. Resident advised to contact the phone company to fix the problem.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Dispatched to Casanova and Ocean on attempted use of a credit card. Unknown suspect attempted to get a cash advance through Western Union. Suspicious operator contacted the card owner and both confirmed it was not authorized and had the transaction canceled. Victim called the credit bureau to report the attempt and the credit card company to close the accounts.

Carmel area: Transient female, age 47, arrested at Torres between First and Camino del Monte for past-tense burglary of a San Juan Road residence. While investigating the burglary reported last week, deputy located the suspect and attempted to interview her. She was intoxicated and uncooperative. While running her for warrants, she was seen crawling through shrubbery to avoid the deputy (except that he was looking right at her). She tried walking away and refused to come back. She was chased, stopped and arrested for public intoxication and last week's alleged burglary, in which several video tapes were stolen.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a Cachagua Road residence in regards to a trespasser. Upon further investigation it was discovered a female transient, age 38, entered the victim's residence and consumed and removed alcoholic beverages. She was found heavily intoxicated and in possession of the resident's property. She was arrested and logged into Monterey County

Big Sur: Peace disturbance at a Big Sur Village pub.

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Carmel Valley: Suspicious circumstances at West Carmel Valley Road and El Caminito.

Carmel area: Suspicious circumstances at a Trevis Way residence.

Carmel Valley: Juvenile problem at Esquiline Road and El Rio Road.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Carmel-by-the-Sea: PGPD was assisted in domestic violence investigation by detaining and arresting a male suspect for act of violence against a spouse which occurred in Pacific Grove on 10/31/03. Subject arrested at an art gallery at Ocean and Dolores and transported to PGPD per request of PGPD investigating officers.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Driver of a white 2002 Chevy broadsided a blue 1999 Ford Explorer in the intersection of Seventh and Carmelo. Chevy had a stop sign; Ford did not. Damage to front ends of both vehicles. Towing was necessary.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Received a 911 call from a Third Avenue residence. Caller would not identify himself and stated he was trying to dial a 915 prefix. Due to caller's uncooperative behavior, officers responded to the residence. He was contacted and stated he was fine. He did not want to identify himself to the dispatcher because he did not realize the importance.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Medical emergency at Sunset Center. An elderly male in the audience appeared unconscious at the end of a dance performance. Transported by CRFA ambulance to CHOMP.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a white 1982 Volvo four-door found parked in the underground parking lot at San Carlos and Seventh with a broken side window and no license plate. The VIN tags on driver's door, dash and passenger-side fender inner wheel well had also been removed. A hidden VIN was found and the owner contacted at a nearby business. He said he sold the car three days ago but could not provide the name or address of the alleged new owner. He stated the unknown male subject who purchased the vehicle wanted to pull out the engine due to an inoperable transmission. He claimed he had last seen the vehicle in Marina and could not explain how it ended up in the underground garage.

Carmel Valley: Possible spousal beating at a Carmel Valley Road residence.

Carmel Valley: Past-tense burglary of a Live Oak Lane residence.

Pebble Beach: Violation of a restraining order at a Bristol Lane residence.

Pebble Beach: Burglary at a Bird Rock Road residence.

Carmel Valley: Burglary of a Rancho San Carlos Road residence. No further information.

Carmel Valley: Past-tense attempted burglary of a Carmel Valley Road residence.

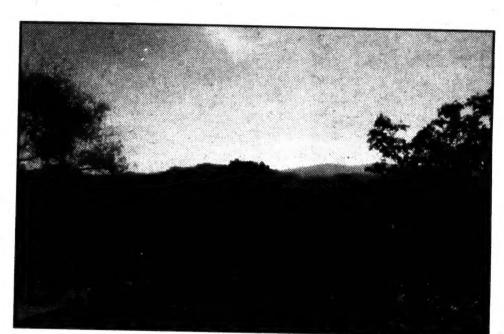
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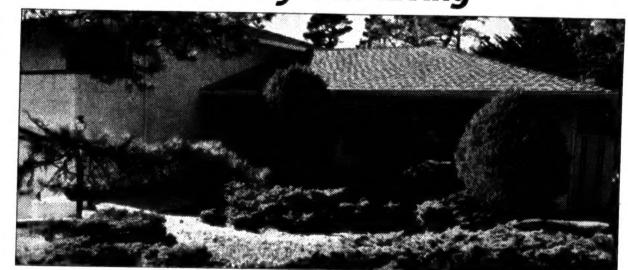
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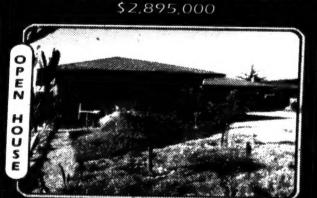
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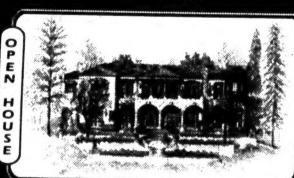
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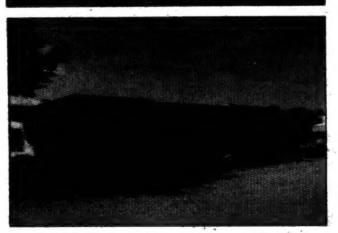
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